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Cruising city crews grab political signs

by Janis Cain

The elderly dad of mayoral candidate Dan Miller had a surprise visit from City officials last week. He was told that his son's political sign in the front yard had to go; it was on virtual sidewalk.

When candidate Miller complained that the sign was on the private property of his parents' home, he was told the space could be considered "unimproved sidewalk" and therefore could obstruct the right-of-way where pedestrians could walk.

The home, on 17-Mile Drive, is located in an area where no sidewalks exist. Lawns and landscaping stretch to the curb. The PG Public Works Department notified the homeowner of the violation and also removed one of Miller's signs from another 17-Mile Drive. The employee took the sign away, to the City Yard.

City Manager Mike Huse says new Public Works Director Steve Leiker

was asked to remove the sign. "I was asked to have Miller's signs removed from the property. 'He was not directed by anyone to take this action,' Huse noted, 'nor was he responding to a complaint. Rather, he was following a memorandum I prepared and distributed to Department Heads in July.'

That memo referred to signs which are attached to a "curbstone, lamp-post, hydrant, tree, shrub, tree stake or guard, utility pole, wire, bench, sidewalk, crosswalk, traffic signpost, traffic-control device, parking meter or structure in or upon any public street, alley, or upon any other public property."

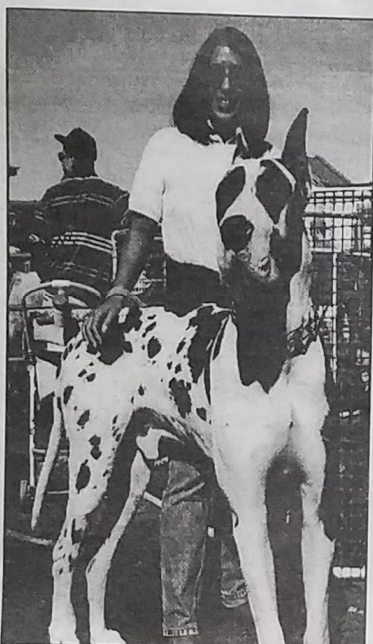
Dan Miller notified Huse of an apparent uneven enforcement of the Code. Only Miller's signs were targeted, despite numerous instances of other candidates' signs posted in areas where no sidewalks exist, yet could be considered pedestrian walkways.

Huse took a tour of the 17 Mile Drive area where he later noted "two signs that I would consider within the public right-of-way, although they were not in areas one would think of as pedestrian paths — they were on slopes."

"So my dad gets hassled because his yard is flat?" Miller questioned.

In a letter to Dan Miller, Huse noted, "We clearly understand the ramifications of uneven enforcement and have, at least during the two elec

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PG's newest residents, Robbie Gonzalez-Dow and her friend Cochise, moved from San Francisco last week; they like "walkin' around in a small town. More photos from Harvest Festival inside this issue." Photo by Janis Cain

Changing face of the Grove challenges future of schools

by Janis Cain

"We need to drop some of the politics and work closely with the City to deal with our needs as a whole." — Rod Herndon, Pacific Grove School Board.

As the population of Pacific Grove ages, the school population is shrinking. Unable to afford "The Last Home Town" cost of living, PG's young adults are finding it more difficult to raise their families where they were raised. The shift in demographics — fewer students in local schools — will bring about changes in the way Pacific Grove delivers education.

"We know what the future looks like and we don't like it," School Board Presi-

dent Mike Armstrong said at a special meeting of the Board called last week to discuss two options for meeting space needs and school consolidation.

Board members say their options for



School Board President Mike Armstrong questions future revenues and shrinking student populations. Photo by Janis Cain

Neighbors vent frustrations as City offers explanations

by Janis Cain

A laundry list of allegations against the City of Pacific Grove, via a new business at Lighthouse and 12th Streets, was categorically denied and refuted last Friday night.

The 12th & 13th Street Neighborhood Association apparently compiled the list of gripes and concerns, stemming from a two and one-half year construction project, now partially completed as the Grove Homescapes business in the historic Grove Laundry Building. No one at the meeting, however, would take credit for the printed accusations, most aimed at the Community Development Department.

Parking, noise and congestion prob-

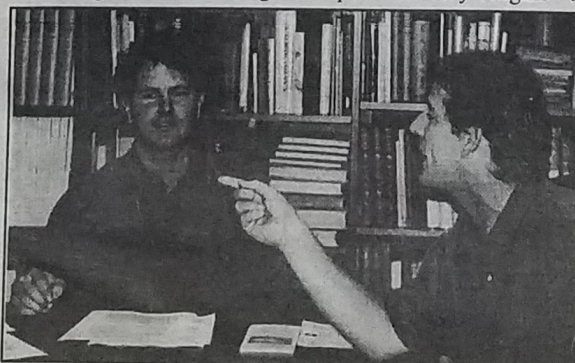
lems on 12th and 13th Streets have provoked dozens of calls to the PG Police Department, although no citations have been issued. Neighbors have photographed repeated incidents of traffic obstruction, damage to their vehicles and after-hours construction.

Area residents claim the City has shown favoritism to the Finklang family, and has failed to hold the business owners accountable for alleged use permit violations.

Neighbors Malcomb and Patricia Smith alleged that Community Development Director Tony Lobay has "skirted" the law and gone to "extraordinary lengths" to help the Finklangs.

They also alleged that taxpayers money may have been used to subsidize the project.

According to documents obtained by the Smiths, in March of 1993, Lobay placed the property on the historical register "knowing full well that the changes during reconstruction disqualified it for the



Thirteenth St. resident Malcomb Smith points the finger at businessman Beau Finklang in charging special favors from City official Tony Lobay. Photo by Janis Cain

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economic survival include merging with another school district or reconfiguring classrooms to cut expenses.

"If we had dealt with these issues in the '70s we could have met the problems of the '80s" Herndon observed. "But we allow ourselves to get caught up in the politics of the moment, hoping no one gets too upset, and we are getting further behind."

With no apparent appetite for a merger, Armstrong asked for a consensus on the board to proceed in a serious way with concepts to restructure facilities.

First grade moving, middle school on hold

Already decided: the David Avenue Kindergarten Center will be expanded to include first graders next fall and primary school teachers will devote the majority of their efforts to teaching kids to read. Under one concept up for dis-

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tions at which I have been present, taken extreme measure to be fair, reasonable and responsive. This will continue to be our "code of conduct" and I sincerely apologize to you, your father, and your neighbor for any indignation resulting from our actions."

Since this incident, Miller reports the City recently moved other candidate's signs, which were apparently in the public right of way on Crocker Avenue. Several signs remain in virtual sidewalk areas in other sections of the city.

As for virtual signs on virtual sidewalks, those blank yellow posters out there are actually faded reminders to vote for Morris Fisher.



LAURIE JONES, secretary in the Community Development Department, was named Employee of the Quarter at a recent City Council meeting. She received a check and a plaque from Mayor Sandra Koffman, and a bouquet and compliments from her boss, CDD Director Tony Lobay.

Asilomar Board appealing State Parks decision

by Neill Gardner

Representatives of the Asilomar Corporation's directors were scheduled to travel to Sacramento last week to attend a preliminary conference concerning the Department of Parks and Recreation rejection of their management proposal.

General Manager David Dornbusch said new information gained through opening of DPR files concerning the bid procedure has strengthened Asilomar's position on the appeal.

Following award of the management contract to Delaware North, operator of airport and resort concessions worldwide, the Asilomar board protested the decision to the DPR. Full hearing on the report is scheduled in Sacramento on Nov. 18-20 before an administrative law judge.

Snack bar to open

The PG City Council has heard report from John Miller concerning Youth Center traffic. He said more than 3,000 youngsters visited the facility in September and listed a string of activities scheduled, including opening of a snack bar.

TOWN GOVERNMENT NEWS

Business claims too little too late, while neighbors suspect favors

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classification. Based on this newfound historical status, this City Official (with your tax dollars picking up the tab) traveled to Sacramento to obtain a full exemption from the Americans With Disabilities Act, based on the newfound status. Once this scam was achieved, Lobay then removed the property from the historical register in September, 1993."

The Finklang family, meanwhile, says the truth is the exact opposite.

"The City Council has failed to show leadership in supporting business," Beau

Finklang told Councilman Bob Davis on Saturday. "By not showing your (the Council's) support, this thing has escalated to a personal attack against my family," he told Davis.

At the special meeting, held at the Museum of Natural History, Lobay told the audience of 22 that the Grove Laundry Building project had a spotless record of compliance. Chief Building Inspector Doug Rick reported that the Grove Laundry Building project had met every requirement and was the model of compliance.

OTHERS AT the meeting praised the Finklangs for building what has become a "beautiful gateway to Pacific Grove."

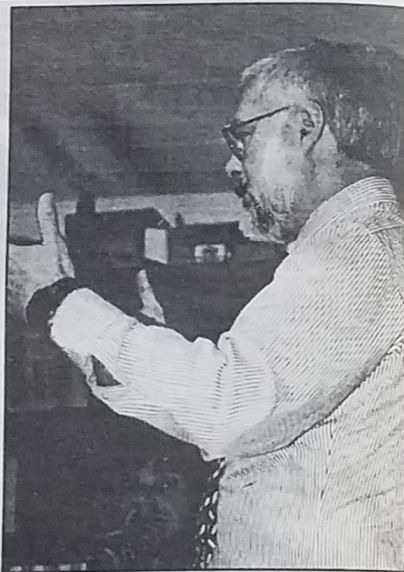
"We are a hardworking family and we have done everything to be good neighbors," Beau told his accusers.

The City of Pacific Grove adopted its new General Plan in 1994, which encouraged mixed commercial and residential use in the downtown core. The Grove Laundry Building remodeling project was a test case for the General Plan, Lobay told the Finklang's neighbors. The project includes a basement, main floor retail and upper floor residential area.

Tempers flared at the special meeting. Afterward, Patricia Smith was far from appeased. "Mr. Lobay knows that my actions were sincere, yet he tried to discredit me at the meeting. The issues were not resolved, at best it (the special meeting) was an arena to vent our frustrations, but the City has not lived up to its responsibilities."

The Smiths are asking for resident permit parking spaces on 12th and 13th streets.

No off-street parking is provided for the businesses, which are expanding



Community Development Director Tony Lobay goes over a list of allegations presented by members of the "12th and 13th Street Neighborhood Association," at a special meeting held last week at the Museum of Natural History. Photo by Janis Cain.

from the gazebo garden shop to a home theatre system store.

The location may evolve to include art shows and weddings. "We are a market-based business," Beau noted, "If weddings generate more interest than plant sales, we will do weddings. We have a big mortgage here and I have made a 15-year commitment to live in this community and help pay it off."

Beau is the 34-year-old son of Tom Finklang whose CTE corporation owns 100 percent of the Grove Laundry Building.

A nearly life-long resident, Beau is an active volunteer for PG events, most recently setting up bales of hay for the Harvest Festival. Their historic building was on the Victorian Home Tour and the Finklang's also donated the landscaping to the Butterfly Kids sculpture at the PG Post Office last month.

Ooops!

Butterfly Kids funding credit

As is explained in a Letter to the Editor in this issue, the Beacon erred when reporting on fundraising efforts for the Christopher Bell sculpture, "Butterfly Kids." The Beacon did not distinguish between the Arts Commission and Friends of the Arts when attributing efforts made to cover the \$30,000 in production costs. More than \$20,000 has been raised thus far, including \$10,000 from the City of Pacific Grove. See Letters for all the details.

Senior Housing

Contrary to an article in the most recent Beacon, the dates for upcoming Senior Housing Committee workshops are November 19th and December 17, both at the Pacific Grove Community Center on Junipero, 6:30 pm.

Committee Chairman Steve Honegger has scheduled the workshops to consider downtown locations for senior housing.

7-8th graders may move to Forest Grove school

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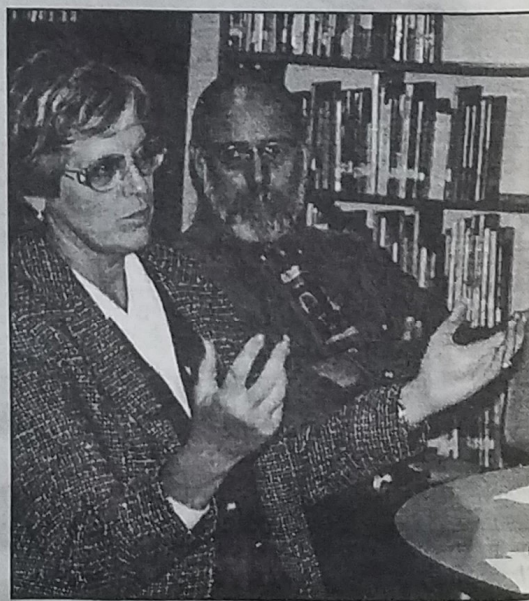
cussion, the Kindergarten Center would become the primary reading center, with kindergarten divided into morning and afternoon sessions, and portable classrooms added to accommodate both 1st and 2nd graders in a total of 20 classrooms. The concept includes Forest Grove Elementary becoming Forest Grove Middle School for 7th and 8th graders only. Educators say 12 and 13-year-olds are at a crucial stage in their educational lives and would benefit from a smaller campus. The 7-8 grade population in PG is expected to drop from 420 students to 350.

Pacific Grove could be on the cutting edge in meeting their special needs, PG Superintendent of Schools Barry Schimmel told the group. A previously considered option would relocate the 7th and 8th graders to the high school campus.

"This community has the ability to become quite hysterical at the concept of 7-12," Board member Wendy Kramer noted, "Even though it's an extremely common occurrence in other districts and will improve our educational system."

A facility to house all of PG's 3rd-6th graders — 22 classrooms — could be found at the Middle School. The site has also been mentioned as a potential new home for the Lighthouse Avenue Adult School, which is increasing in population, and also as potential senior housing.

Board Member David Wright sees Schimmel's concepts as "a great opportunity" and says he is "ready to get on with it."



School Board Member Wendy Kramer discusses the movement of student population. About 18 people attended the special meeting on the future of PG's 2200 student population. Board Member Rod Herndon looks on. Photo by Janis Cain.

Beacon questionnaire

How can we fill up those vacant downtown stores?

The Beacon submitted a list of questions to each candidate for the PG City Council and Mayor. All six candidates responded, although some expressed no opinion on county and state issues. We have included most of the responses in this issue; see inside for more.

Sandy Koffman, incumbent Mayor: Continue to implement the Economic Revitalization Strategy developed by this Council in partnership with business and commercial property owners and residents. The Strategy focuses on expansion and attraction of businesses which complement Pacific Grove as a "home-town" shopping destination, business promotion, beautification, capital improvements including parking, and funding sources.

Dan Miller, candidate for Mayor: I would stop advocating new taxes on businesses and buildings as the current mayor does. We have to encourage businesses to come to our city and stop rejecting businesses because they are a part of a "chain." Would a Target store be unacceptable in the Holman's building?

Marilyn Bell, one of four candidates for three spots on the City Council: We need to stop the feuding. I would try to bring people together, even those people who say they don't care about our economic vitality. I want to represent both sides, and fill up those empty stores with businesses everyone will be proud to have in their home town.

Jim Costello, incumbent candidate for council: Although my first choice is always to use existing facilities, I will withhold any decision on my own feelings about solving our space and accessibility problems until we select an architectural firm to get citizen input and to prepare a professional evaluation of what we can do.

Morris Fisher, council candidate: I would work through the Chamber of Commerce to find out what businesses are desired in PG by the citizens through surveys, etc. Also, our citizens need to start shopping more in Pacific Grove. To attract citizens back to their shops, our businesses must become more competitive with discount centers.

Christie Martine, council candidate: The Strategic Plan proposed by the Economic Revitalization Committee last spring and adopted by the council has recommended measures which tackle

this problem. We need to ensure that these recommendations are followed through.

Do you support measure M?

Bell: Yes. I've changed my position on this. It's being done so well, above and beyond what could have happened.

Costello: I am not actively supporting either side. However, I am certain my own vote on this issue will be influenced by two of the most responsible environmental leaders in this area, Margaret Owings and Fred Farr.

Koffman: While the proposed project has many positive points, I personally feel that consolidation of development will result in a more sensitive project which will better preserve the environment and serve our community.

Miller: The public wasn't allowed on Rancho San Carlos until the current owners took over. The proposed development sets aside 90% of the property as open space. If this measure is defeated, and appealed in the courts, we could wind up with a much more objectionable development. I support measure M.

Do you support Prop. 209 to roll back affirmative action?

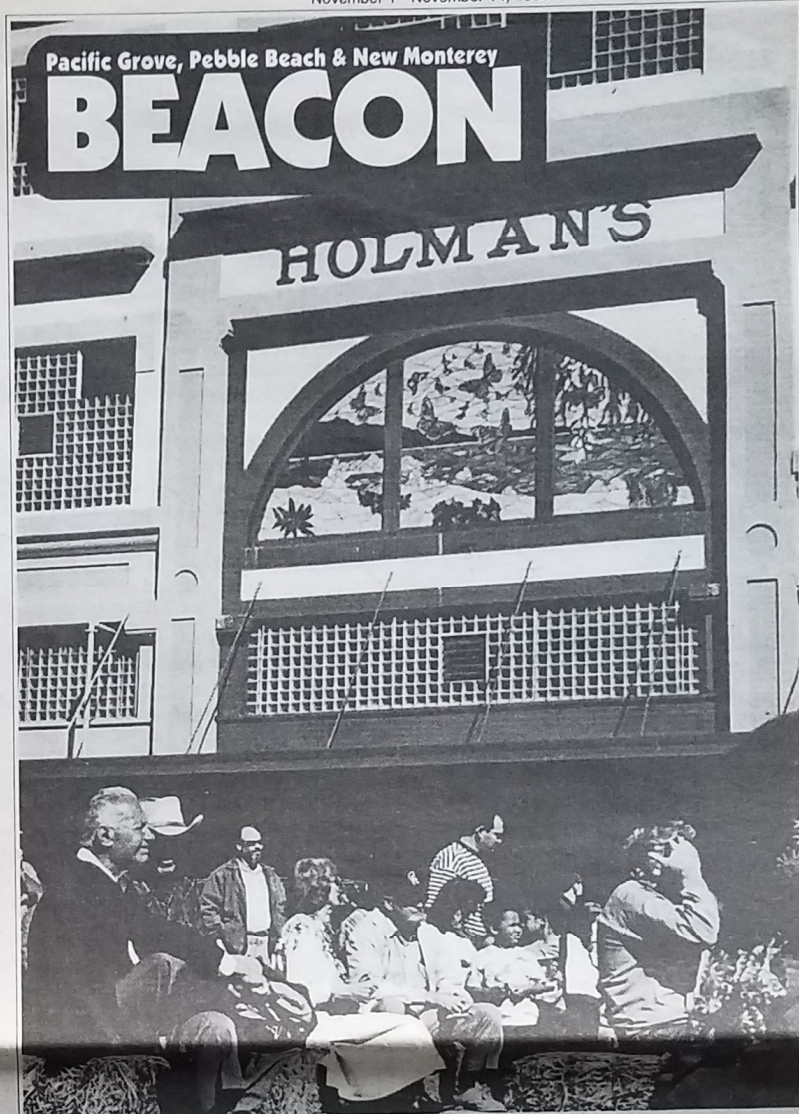
Costello: Since local government and our schools are drastically affected by Prop. 209, I have no problem stating that I oppose this initiative. Let's not take away the gains we have made for women and minorities.

Bell: Yes. I think qualifications are the only reason to hire someone. I have seen situations where the person less qualified got the job because he was one-quarter minority.

Koffman: I support the equal opportunity policy which the City of Pacific Grove adopted in 1988. For many reasons, I cannot support Proposition 209.

Miller: Preferential treatment is discriminatory no matter who it's against. If an official in PG says they're against this proposition ask them how many minorities and women are in management positions in our city. The most qualified applicant should be employed no matter their race or gender. I support 209.

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Live music at last week's Harvest Festival on Lighthouse Avenue attracted plenty of spectators who gathered in front of the not-yet-open Holman Building. Photo by Janis Cain

Close but no cigar, Holman Building opening postponed

by Janis Cain

The invitations are ordered, the guest list compiled, and expectations running high. The Grand Opening of the Holman Building, however, has been delayed until December as new tenants ease their way into the renovated centerpiece of downtown business activity.

Moe Ammar, executive director of the PG Chamber of Commerce, had already scheduled the mayor for a ribbon-cutting party with live entertainment on Nov. 19th, but a last-minute reality check with owner Nadir Agha confirmed they were jumping the gun. A December grand opening will be announced later.

Meanwhile, about 60 percent of the street-level floor has been leased to an antique mall operator, who will showcase about 40 dealers, expected to be set up for business on Nov. 15.

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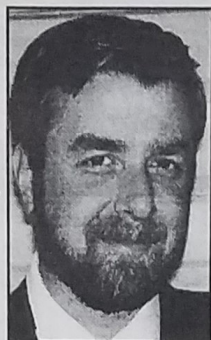
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What's the biggest issue facing PG?

Miller: The number one issue facing Pacific Grove is having a mayor and city council who are afraid of making decisions. We have to have leadership on the council not more committees. We have to have leaders that are willing to dissent and represent all of us not just themselves.

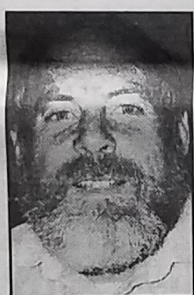
Koffman: To build on the successful partnerships begun in the last two years so we can continue to work together to implement our economic revitalization strategy, preserve our environment, make youth and seniors our top priorities, and enhance the character of our community and unique quality of life we all enjoy.



Daniel Miller



Morris Fisher



Jim Costello

Christie Martine: Economic revitalization should be our primary concern. Every citizen should read and understand the Strategic Plan adopted by the council last spring, and help to make it work.

Fisher: Water. Until we truly solve the issue of water availability, the other issues are minor.

Costello: The number 1 issue facing Pacific Grove is finding solutions to our school district's financial situation. The health of our home values and our businesses are influenced by the reputation of our schools. Cooperation and new ideas must come from the community now.

Bell: Economic revitalization. We need a viable economy in Pacific Grove.

Would you rather build a new civic center or use existing facilities?

Fisher: I would rather build a new civic center, which would include council chambers

Bell: Certainly not a new building. I don't think the citizens of Pacific Grove want to spend a million dollars when they could retrofit what they already have.

Costello: Although my first choice is always to use existing facilities, I will withhold any decision on my own feelings about solving our space and accessibility problems until we select an architectural firm to get citizen input and

to prepare a professional evaluation of what we can do.

Martine: Existing city facilities are inadequate. Council chambers are too small and inaccessible to the disabled; city offices and meeting rooms are cramped, inefficient, outgrown and outdated. New or re-organized facilities are long overdue.



Sandy Koffman

Miller: We should put an elevator in the existing city hall to meet federal access requirements and the Community Development Department offices should be remodeled. This will cost \$800,000 less than a new civic center. Anyone who wants a new civic center just wants another plaque with their name on it.

Koffman: City council is in the process of developing a civic center plan to provide adequate office space and accessible public meeting facilities. Public input will play an important role in planning the best Civic Center for the people of our City whether it be in existing, remodeled or additional facilities.



Christie Martine

Do you favor moving the Middle School to the High School?

Miller: Having attended both of these schools I remember the transitional time was very welcome and I don't know that even being in the same proximity is a good idea. There have been other cost cutting measures proposed that I think are more acceptable. I don't favor the

Bell: If that's the best way to give the students a better education and spend fewer dollars. I hope the City and the schools come up with ideas to stretch our educational dollars and improve the classrooms, especially with computers.

Costello: As an experienced Middle School teacher I am in favor of keeping our Middle School. As a councilmember, I hope that the school district will continue the process which this council started of working together to find solutions to the schools' economic problems.

Fisher: This is an economic decision that is to be made by the Pacific Grove Unified School Board of Trustees, not the council. If it is decided to close one of the schools, then, should the school board decide to do something with the land, that would become a city issue.



Marilyn Bell



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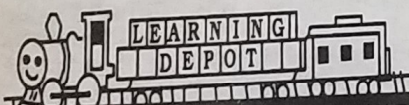
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Do you support Prop 217, the 10 & 11% tax brackets?

Koffman: Neither council nor mayor has a formal voice in this State matter. I personally support Prop 217 because it prohibits the State from further shifting away local property taxes and allocates much-needed revenues to schools, cities and counties.

Miller: It's politically profitable to support a proposition that only effects 1% of the population as the people you alienate are few. But is it fair? Should the 1% who pay 31% of the total income taxes pay even more? Will this money go where we want it? I'm against proposition 217.

Martine: Proposition 217 will return property tax revenues to the City of Pacific Grove that the legislature has been diverting since 1991 and would prohibit the state from making such diversions in the future. I am in favor of it.

Costello: Do I support the reinstatement of higher tax brackets at top incomes with about half the new money going to schools? You bet I do

Bell: Yes.

Do you support Measure E?

Koffman: Although I have reservations about wording in sections of Measure E, I personally believe that it is not unreasonable to require voter approval of County general plan land use amendments on agricultural and resource conservation land.

Miller: Most farmers in our area make more keeping their land as it is rather than selling it for development. The reality is if you take care in who you elect to office then the problems this measure says it would solve will never occur. I'm against measure E.

Costello: Measure E is a reflection of many of our frustrations with the continued development of prime farm land. As such, I support it.

Bell: No.

Do you support proposition 215, the equalization of pot for medicinal uses?

Koffman: I personally support the use of physician-prescribed treatments of disease which benefit a patient and relieve pain.

Miller: I am for the use of marijuana for medical purposes but there are large loopholes in this proposition. There are no provisions requiring a prescription. All anyone has to do is have a doctor "say" that marijuana would help them. The loophole is too big. I'm against 215.

Costello: If morphine can be prescribed to ease pain, but is not legal as a street drug, can pot be legalized just the same. I find it difficult to keep any drug that can ease suffering away from those suffering from the pain of cancer. I do not support any other drug use.

Bell: Yes. If it's going to help people who are sick, then I wouldn't oppose it.

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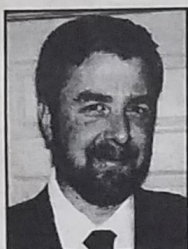
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11. He will make the City accountable to the people.
10. He will have an ordinance passed prohibiting the possession of tobacco by those under the age of 18.
9. He will take positions on issues instead of creating new committees to study them.
8. He will encourage businesses to come into Pacific Grove with the promise of no new assessment districts.
7. He won't authorize bronze plaques with his name on them to be placed on City buildings.
6. He will support a new on-call City-sponsored shuttle for elderly citizens to improve their mobility and quality of life.
5. He will make sure that the Middle School is not closed.
4. He will see to it that ordinances are streamlined, revised or thrown out where appropriate. In any case ordinances will be enforced if they are on the books.
3. He will find real answers to our water problems so there will be enough water for additions to houses and the development of dry lots, but no new subdivisions.
2. He is against the massive development proposed for Fort Ord.
1. He is against spending a million dollars on a new civic center.

•••In 1955 Daniel Miller was born in Carmel and brought home to Pacific Grove. In 1960 he started Kindergarten at Forest Grove School and marched in his first Butterfly Parade. He graduated from Pacific Grove High School with the Class of 1973. In 1980 he ran in the primary for State Assembly. In the mid-80's he ran for School Board. In November 1990 he ran for City Council on a platform that included preservation of the Monarch habitat and preservation of our city's heritage.

•••In December 1990 Sandy Koffman moved to Pacific Grove.

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FEATURES

Our man in Bahrain

Persian Gulf assignment no place like home

by Joe Strang

I am standing on the weather deck of the USS O'Brien, a Navy destroyer, watching what is called "the Snoopy team," an inflatable raft carrying 20 sailors toward a foreign vessel in the northern Persian Gulf.

The team's mission is to board the boat and determine if it is hostile or carrying contraband. Hovering overhead the foreign ship is our ship's helicopter.

The O'Brien is the fifth American warship to bear that name, which belonged to the Irishman who commanded the first US ship to defeat the British in the Revolutionary War.

The ball caps worn by this ship's crew carry a shamrock logo and, while at sea, the sailors may wear green caps instead of the required navy blue worn in port.

I, of course, choose the green to flaunt my Gaelic heritage.

The O'Brien's home port is in Japan but, as is common for forward-deployed warships, it is usually at sea. Of the 300 sailors aboard, 23 are young officers, some of whom know Pacific Grove because they attended the Naval Postgraduate School.

The chief engineer, Ken Spurlock, and his wife Mariko, lived on Seaview Avenue from early 1993 to the end of 1995. He and I reminisce about the garage sale he held before leaving PG. I have two pair of Dockers' shorts from that sale with me now, attire that I will probably never wear in the strict Islamic cultures of the Persian Gulf.

Now, we are close enough for me to read Bunga Anggerik on the hull of what turns out to be a Malaysian vessel. Apparently, it's not a threat, so I enter the steel hatch and walk to the officer's wardroom to work on my upcoming classes.

I am a PACE (Program Afloat College Education) instructor. For the past two years, I have sailed the world teaching college English classes to the Navy. This is my sixth voyage at sea. I have also taught at Naval bases in Long Beach, San Clemente Island and in Norfolk, Virginia.

To begin my current assignment, I left Pacific Grove in late September and arrived on the Persian Gulf island of Bahrain two days and 10 body-clock hours later only to discover that my ship had not yet arrived in Bahrain.

After waiting in 100-degree heat for three days, I was happy to see my ship come in. I share tight quarters with the combat-systems officer. Two Kuwaiti officers are aboard. One of them shows me an English grammar book that he carries with him.

I am wondering if the captain will call general quarters today. If he does, I will miss the first of today's two classes in English composition. That may be good for me as I was awakened earlier than the usual six-o'clock reveille by the roaring of our helicopter, and I am experiencing the weariness that comes the first few days adjusting to being underway.

I think about my Boston bulldog, Dorrit, who is spending the next six weeks on Hillcrest Avenue with Richard and Judy O'Meara and their two dogs. I will bring back an O'Brien baseball cap for Richard. Although I enjoy the adventure of teaching at sea, I miss my canine companion, my human friends and the "Last Hometown."

(Joe Strang, our man in Bahrain, lives in Pacific Grove and works at sea. He's the guy walking around town with the bulldog. When he's at home in Pacific Grove he does home landscaping maintenance to feel solid ground under his feet. When in the mood he writes feature articles for the Beacon. If you have questions of Joe about Bahrain or the high seas write him here at the Beacon. Editor)

Living Safely

Tips from PGPD

Bicycles, Motorcycles and Boats:

Thefts of these things are increasing. Many of the same precautions that apply to cars also apply to recreational vehicles.

—Park it out of site in a locked garage or basement or use a cover.

—Mark it with an Operation Identification number.

—Lock your bicycle with a case-hardened chain or cable and lock, winding the cable through the frame and both wheels then around a fixed object. The chain should be case-hardened at least 3/8" thick. Make sure you use a sturdy padlock.

—Use the fork lock found on most street motorcycles. Invest in a heavy U-shaped lock made of extremely hard steel that cannot be hacksawed or a case-hardened chain and sturdy padlock.

—Watch out for key numbers! Some motorcycle manufacturers stamp the key number on the lock. With this number, anyone can go to a key maker and have a key cut that will fit perfectly.

—Many specialized vehicles do not have Vehicle Identification Numbers and should be marked with an identification number, such as a driver's license number.

—Locking steering columns are effective anti-theft devices.

—You can buy an alarm for your vehicle that is mounted behind the license plate, and sounds off if the vehicle is moved.

—Lock up all easy-to-carry items like motors and camping gear before leaving your vehicle.

—Use secured "toppers" or tool boxes. Don't assume a thief can't lift a box because it's heavy.

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CITY NEWSBRIEFS

Grove fireman control blaze

The Pacific Grove Fire Department has been thanked for its support in suppressing the "Highway 58" fire, a devastating calamity that burned over 100,000 acres, took 10 days to control, caused damage estimated at \$2.5 million, and cost \$8 million to extinguish.

Over 100 agencies, including Pacific Grove, worked on the blaze until it was contained and extinguished.

The Administrator and County Fire Chief of San Luis Obispo County wrote thanking the PG Fire Department.

Pardon the dust.

Sewer line replacement down 18th Street was the theme last week as engineering contractors barricaded streets downtown PG while digging and filling occurred. While it may have caused some inconvenience, great effort was made to avoid that, said City Manager Mike Huse. "Police and Public Works both participated in a plan designed to mitigate the impact of losing on-street parking for a short period of time," he said. The City offered residents free parking in the lot between Forest and 17th Streets.

Library Closed Thanks Eve.

Due to an annual wane in attendance, the Librarian has decided the Pacific Grove Library shall close at 6pm on Wednesday, November 27. This will allow for the more efficient scheduling of staff and still provide time for patrons to stop by the Library on their way home from work to check out the cookbook section for a dynamite stuffing.

Grove's finest praised.

The Pebble Beach CSD Fire Department wrote Pacific Grove thanking our firemen for their assistance in responding to a fire at Robert Louis Stevenson School recently. The Grove's response was provided under the mutual aid agreement between Pebble Beach and Pacific Grove.

Building permits up

The Planning Department issued 38 building permits in September with a construction valuation of \$588,811. Fees collected totaled over \$10,000. Most of the activity involved single-family additions/remodels.

Downtown beautification

New trash receptacles and planters for the downtown area have arrived and are stored at the corporation yard. The PWD will coordinate placement of the new accouterments with the BC (Beautification Committee). DPW Director Steve Leiker figures it will take three weeks to situate everything, including soil and flowers in the planters.

Jones is honored

The Planning Department Secretary Laurie Jones has been singled out for her "phenomenal" work performance and named "Employee of the Quarter."

Grove flag in Sacto.

A flag collector named Rich Kenny has included a Pacific Grove flag in his exhibit of 100 California city flags which appeared at the California State Railroad Museum in Old Sacramento until October 14. It then traveled to the Fountain Suites Hotel in Sacto for the North American Vexillological Association convention. Figure that one out.

Police praised too

PG High School PTA President Debbie Tucker has written City Council with thanks for School Resource Officer Attila Horvath, a special police officer assigned to deal with

youths. "He is very friendly, pleasant, and cares about the students. He is an asset to the high school," said Tucker. She also commends Jody Allioti, the Rec department's youth coordinator, for her work with the young people in the community saying "She is well-liked by both adults and teens and is capable and fun."

Beacon Horoscope

by Jane Aries

Scorpio. October 24 - November 22. Your ability to understand and interpret art and music will enhance your self-esteem. Your sensitivity and creativity will be recognized, appreciated and rewarded.

Sagittarius. November 23-December 21. Dangerous as well as exciting adventures will come to you as a business venture. Read between the lines. All that glitters is not gold. Weigh the risks!

Capricorn. December 22 - January 20. Focus on completion of commitments before embarking on new journeys. Temptation to fill your schedule too full should be examined carefully.

Aquarius. January 21 - February 19. Mysterious invitation offers exciting ideas for new social and business contacts. Investigate thoroughly before accepting. Be cautious.

Pisces. February 20 - March 20. Challenges keep interfering with work completion. Ignore trivia, assert yourself and forge ahead. Be positive — you will be rewarded with love and money. Vacation in sight.

Aries. March 21 - April 20. Explore new information concerning home and family. Exploration includes short trip to beautiful vacation spot. Enjoy!

Taurus. April 21-May 21. Contact with close relative is in order. Reunion could prove profitable and enjoyable. Refer to Aries.

Gemini. May 22-June 21. Project started is soon to be completed to your satisfaction. Completion brings a new high cycle of profit and romance.

Cancer. June 22-July 23. Adjustment soon to be made concerning family, marriage and business. Make choices carefully and consider consequences.

Leo. July 24 - August 23. Social calendar is filled with opportunities of love, romance and intrigue. Enjoy as many as possible — quality before quantity. Be selective.

Virgo. August 24 - September 23. Distant admirer makes intentions known which comes as a positive welcome surprise. Travel to an exotic destination is a definite possibility.

Libra. September 24 - October 23. Concentrate on health, nutrition, exercise and fitness. With renewed vigor in these areas, accomplishment will be outstanding.



An Open Letter to the People of Pacific Grove

from Mayor Sandy Koffman

Dear Pacific Grove Residents:

Over the past two years, we have proven that working together works.

Together we have focused our energies on our children, our neighborhoods, our environment, and our business community. Together, we have accomplished many of the goals that you, the people of Pacific Grove, set forth.

As your Mayor, I have endeavored to create a positive atmosphere that encourages and welcomes community participation. You have responded with enthusiasm, and we can all be proud of the results.

Above all, the commitment I made to you two years ago remains unchanged: to preserve and enhance the unique character of our community and to do it by working together.

We now have a unique opportunity to build on the successful partnership we have begun. I hope to continue working with you to preserve and enhance our special city so, once again, I ask for your support.

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(This article is reprinted today to satisfy those who felt it did not receive proper placement when originally printed on September 27. To be fair, the Beacon is also reprinting the profile on her opponent, Dan Miller, in the Subscriber edition of this issue.)

Mayor reflects on busy two years

by Neill Gardner



We haven't been sitting on our hands, said Mayor Sandra “Sandy” Koffman. “This Council has very consciously listened to the entire community. It has been fiscally responsible and still managed to provide and improve the nuts and bolts responsibilities of municipal government.”

Koffman, proud of the town's new Youth Center, cites its use by 80 youngsters a day and 200 to 400 attendees at dances as vindication for Council's determination to get it built, despite carping from some quarters during the early days of her administration.

Koffman, a Chicago native, was a theater major at Loyola University. She managed a restaurant and night club in that city before moving to Pacific Palisades in 1976 where she ran a women's specialty store.

Since moving to Pacific Grove in 1990, Sandy and Dan have operated Bottomline, an advertising agency, from their home. Taking advantage of technology, they are able to conduct international business with very little face to face contact.

Koffman would rather talk about the town's future than about her past. “The Youth Center demonstrated that we can bring the generations together. We're talking to each other.”

Asked about outgoing Councilmen Vern Yadon and Terrence Zito, Koffman said, “I'm going to miss them. They sometimes held different viewpoints, but we proved that Council could still work together.”

Koffman sees nothing unreasonable about the frequent appearance of former elected officials at Council meetings. “They have experience and expertise to offer. And I think they realize that the sitting Council must act on its own convictions.”

The mayor said she thinks Johnny Miller has “made every effort” to comply with the city's demand concerning his proposed home in Asilomar. “There seems to have been some confusion concerning lot coverage. I hope we can clarify that for future applicants.”

City Attorney George Thacher's decision that “demolition decisions must be made in a vacuum” causes Koffman some concern. She believes what's planned for a property should have some bearing on Council's decision.

Will Koffman eventually try for higher office? “I don't know what the future holds. I'm certainly interested in regional concerns with water, Fort Ord, transportation and the hospitality industry.”

Pressed for comment on a proposed senior citizen residential facility, Koffman said, “I really believe one will be built. But we have to have community support for the location, and find the best partner for its construction.”

Koffman is certain of one thing. “There will be changes on the Monterey Peninsula.” One is left with the impression that our mayor going to be involved with a good many of them. Julia Platt would be pleased.

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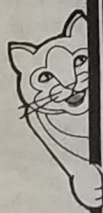
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Obituaries

CARL WILBUR "Bud" **HOEGEMEIER**, 80, a resident of Pacific Grove for the past 50 years, died October 27 at his home.

Born December 20, 1915, he owned and operated Monarch Refrigeration, and was a refrigeration technician for 60 years. He was a member of St. Angela's Church.

Survivors include his sons Joe Hoegemeier of Pacific Grove and Peter Hoegemeier of Carmel; daughter Mildred Rickey of Bellevue WA; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

His late wife Josephine died on May 2.

IVA G. HURT, 86, Pacific Grove, died Oct. 24 at Pacific Grove Convalescent Hospital.

Born July 7, 1910 in Monterey, Ms. Hurt worked for many years as a cook and waitress.

Survivors include her sisters Sylvia Marion of Pacific Grove, Viola Evans of Marysville, Irvina Bredehoft of San Francisco and Marion Coleman of Pebble Beach.

No services will be held.

MABEL J. SCHUPBACH, 81, Pacific Grove, died October 24 at Hospice House, Monterey after a period of failing health.

A homemaker, Mrs. Schupbach was born January 8, 1915 in Bowdon, North Dakota. She was a member of St. Timothy Lutheran Church, Monterey.

Survivors include her sons Danny Schupbach and David Schupbach, both of Pacific Grove; sisters Corine Werner of Martinez, Ruth Reider of Valley Springs, Clara Schults of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Josephine Thorstenson of Bowdon, ND. She is also survived by two granddaughters; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Her late husband Clifford E. Schupbach, died in 1982.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Visiting Nurse Association or to Hospice House, Monterey.

BETTYHUNT THOMPSON, 84, who lived in Pacific Grove since 1969, died October 29 at Hospice House.

Born August 9, 1912 in Highland Park, IL, Mrs. Thompson was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son Peter H. Thompson of Chicago; sister Peg Paul, Oregon; grandson Martin Thompson of Germany and three great grandchildren. Another son, Timothy Thompson, died in 1968.

Her late husband J.R.G. "Tommy" Thompson, a realtor with Del Monte Realty, died in 1979.

At her request, no services will be held. Her remains will be scattered at sea.

Arrangements for all services and interment for the above by Paul Mortuary, Pacific Grove.

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a sampling of the PGPD log

The Sound of Music — 200 block Park Street, warning citation for unlawful guitar practice. No amplified sound permit.

Really Fast Food — Resident in 200 block Junipero reports raw chicken from local fast food restaurant. Restaurant corrected problem.

Screaming — 800 block 2nd Street, report of someone screaming, turns out to be man defending his dog from a raccoon. Raccoon apparently won. Dog had scratches and bites.

Kids — Montecito Avenue at Funstone Avenue, juveniles in white Volvo reportedly throwing balloons at other juveniles.

Noises — Someone reportedly shooting crows on Carmel Street.

Drugs — 1200 block Ocean View Blvd, subject under the influence of drugs.

Tree Trimming — Report of tree in danger at St. Angela's Church.

Truck Trimming — 6th and Lighthouse, tree vs. truck, tree won. Large piece of truck found in tree.

Sleeper — Area of Caledonia Park, ongoing problem of woman with mental problems found sleeping between residences. Taken to Nativity, placed on 72-hour hold.

No Complaints — 43-year-old black man exposed self in area of 7th and Ocean View Boulevard. None of the victims filed a complaint and no witnesses would come forward.

Distressed — 700 block Mermaid, man called police to object to delivery of the Beacon; later makes obscene calls to Beacon office; carrier kids alerted.

Police pro-active on domestic violence calls

Domestic Violence Prevention and Reduction information is now available in the lobby of the Pacific Grove police station on Pine and Forest.

The information is available to anyone, and it may be picked up anonymously, without the necessity of speaking to anyone. The packets are on the information counter, inside the Pine Street entrance.

During nighttime hours, those wanting information may need to press the door buzzer for admittance.

Any person wishing assistance with their personal safety may contact the department at 648-3147 and ask for the Domestic Violence Officer, or an investigator — or the person may come to the lobby and ask for assistance.

Lt. Carl Miller is the Domestic Violence Officer. He reports that three independent booklets are in production: Personal Safety Plan for people who find themselves in domestic violence situations; The Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault handbook for victims; and the Pacific Grove Domestic Violence Response Policy in booklet form. All are included in the free packet, along with a "Personal Safety Plan."

Littering — 1200 block Ocean View Blvd., resident reportedly tossed large amount of ice plant across the street into open area. Upon contact, he agrees to dispose of it properly.

Prank — 1000 block Egan, 44-year-old resident reports two 200+ pound pumpkins were rolled from his driveway area onto his lawn. Requests close patrol.

Dumpster Diver — Adult male admonished at the Safeway recycle station.

Kitchen Fire — Sunset and Congress, grease fire.

Citizen Assist — 600 block Lighthouse, ongoing problem of woman who locks herself out of her home.

Violence — 200 block Grove Acre, 15-year-old arrested for slapping his mother.

Party — 800 block Lighthouse Ave., man giving a bachelor party agrees to close down the event after noise complaints.

Call in — 40-year-old mother reports drinking and discipline problems with 15-year-old son.

Vandals — 1100 block Monarch lane, rear window of vehicle broken.

Domestic — Pacific Grove Lane, male half arrested for public intoxication after domestic dispute.

Danger — Highway 68 at Syda Drive, 28-year-old walking down middle of highway, reports his father did not want him at his home; taken to Nativity for 72-hour hold.

Kids — *Lover's Point*, reports of yelling juveniles at 10:30 pm results in three warning citations and one notice to appear.

Noise — 700 block Cedar St, loud music reported.

Suspicious Circumstances — 800 block Cedar, gathering of juveniles.

Courtesy Transport — Three girls taken home to 900 block Walnut Avenue at 11:30 pm.

Hazard — 400 block Asilomar, fallen power pole and electrical lines.

Medical Emergency — 1300 block David, entered home of elderly woman via bathroom window to assist.

Marine Rescue — Ocean View Blvd. at Coral, two Divers in distress.

Rummaging — Forest Avenue, subject rummaging in recycle bins; advised to cease activity.

Domestic — 200 block Central, father, son girlfriend in dispute.

Injury — 300 block Central, pedestrian injured, taken to CHOMP.

Traffic Control — Trailers moved to Forest Grove School property for additional classrooms.

Crash Sounds — 400 block Grove Acres, report of brown Toyota hatchback possible smashing vehicles. Four damaged trash cans found, no vehicle damage found.

Suspicious Circumstances — Chestnut and Pine, Man in a red Geo reportedly asked 12-year-old girl and her friend if they needed a ride.

Medical — Asilomar, painter fell from ladder, injuries to arm and face.

Bicycle accident — 200 block 17 Mile Drive, 12-year-old boy hurt in fall.

COMMUNITY newsbriefs

McPherson stumps at PG Kiwanis Club

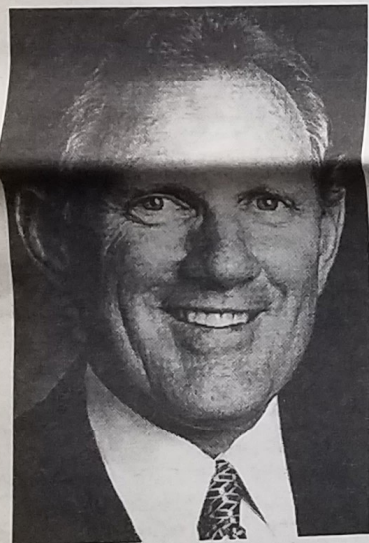
by Rich Campbell

Assemblyman Bruce MacPherson, engaged in one of the State Senate's most important races, visited the Pacific Grove Kiwanis Club to give a run-down of what he legislature has accomplished this past year. Importantly, the nature of Sacramento politics was different this year. Usually, the governor locks horns with the legislature. This year, as each house was dominated by different parties, it was the Assembly and Senate battling it out, giving the Governor the time to try to beat out Bob Dole for the Presidential nomination. What chutzpah!

Much of the usual partisanship of the legislature canceled itself out as the house voted down each others ideas.

Rather than presenting the Governor with about 2,000 bills to sign (that in itself is an obscene concept) there were only about 1,100 new laws sent up.

So, combined with a significant



Bruce McPherson

economic recovery state-wide, our Sacramento folks found money to spend on some worthwhile stuff; \$3.7 billion more went into public education, and a statewide initiative to reduce class size at the primary level was funded.

No longer is California at the bottom of the list for dollars spend per student. We're still way below the mid-point, but improving.

Tax laws were changed to make the corporate environment more hospitable, which helped account for the recovery of the 770,000 jobs lost in the state during the 1991-94 slowdown.

Bruce claimed that all the new jobs were more substantial than those lost earlier, although that flies in the face of generally accepted economic data.

Of course, he is running for office again, so we can forgive him an exaggeration or two.

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Doc ents, left to right, Norman Day, Paul Day, George Henderson, and Marguerite Day.

Kiwanis welcomes help from other clubs on bleacher project

by Art Alexander

The Pacific Grove Kiwanis Club continues to make progress on the bleacher restoration project at Pacific Grove High School. And volunteers from the community are sought for the next work party Saturday November 9, at 9am at the Breaker Stadium.

The work party last month proved very successful. Several community volunteers joined the project workforce.

The Kiwanis District Foundation award a \$1,150 grant to the PG Kiwanis Club in recognition of the outstanding work being performed for the community.

Previous work parties have reinforced the foundation, built dikes for erosion control, cleared drainage pipes, graded earth, removed trash and reconstructed about 200 lineal feet of the first level of the bleacher seating.

The concrete, wood, and other materials are being purchased with moneys from fund raisers, community donations and a Kiwanis grant. Most suppliers, such as Hayward Lumber, are providing materials at cost. About \$1,700 has been spent so far.

The Kiwanis Club wants this project to be a community-wide effort and hopes to gather support and volunteer help from any or all service and booster clubs in the Grove, as well as interested citizens, graduates and parents of students.

Kiwanis is inviting officers from these groups and interested parties to join them at their breakfast meetings to discuss the project. Anyone interested in this project is invited to attend the Kiwanis breakfast meetings held every Tuesday morning at 7:30am in the Sally Griffin Senior Center, Jewell Avenue or call Sherry Sands.

Kiwanis Club thanks the volunteers participating in this project, mostly firemen in the forefront including Dick Andrews, Richard Chamberlin, Craig Nofzinger, Jeff Grover, Hal Laughlin,

Jim Pagnella and Richard Stillwell.

Work planned next Saturday includes removing the planks from a section of the bleachers and replacing any rotten or damaged wood. This will be the last work party until next spring.

Volunteers are needed. Donations are welcome and should be sent to the PG Kiwanis Club, PO Box 351, PG 93950. For information on this project or Kiwanis, call Fran, 375-0109.



Fix bleacher party Saturday, Nov 9

THE PACIFIC GROVE Kiwanis Club is looking for some professional carpenters interested in volunteering some time to their community by helping repair the bleachers and Breaker Stadium and Pacific Grove High School. It's like putting town 2 x 10 decking. Some hand tools, extension cords, your belt and a skill saw. Please contact Eric Colby at 648-1500 or Art Alexander 625-4419. The Rotary Club is providing three of its members, one general contractor and two carpenters. We need to hear from professionals soon so we can discuss the plan, decide on crews, and have enough material lined up to keep everyone busy.

Grove residents are Big Sur Light docents

by Donald Dean

Pacific Grove citizens are donating their time as docents to the Point Sur Lighthouse. This requires at least six hours a month guiding groups of visitors up the 333-foot high Pt. Sur Rock.

The docents from Pacific Grove include Mike Baker, Edwqard, Alice Beechart, Donald Dean, Barbara Goodwin, Melissa Hlebasko, Susi Knutson, Vernon Lauridsen, Pamela Lynette, Nancy McDowell, Stuart McDowell, Lauren O'Neill, David Sweigert, and Paula Walling.

A recent highlight for the local band was the visit to the lighthouse October 13 by five adults who grew up as kids of lighthouse keepers on Pt. Sur during the 1920's and '30's.

These folks told tales of life at the Point during those times. At one time there were four families minding the light with a juvenile population totaling 11 boys and girls.

Those youngsters, now parents, told of both humorous and hair-raising stories including shipwrecks and drownings witnessed.

Afterward the former lighthouse "kids" and us docents shared a dinner. A small group of 15 rugged souls camped out overnight in the fog and wind.

Three hour-long guided tours of the Pt. Sur Light station are directed for visitors on Saturday and Sunday. Call 625-4419 for details.

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Thanks to all who helped with center

Editor:

On behalf of the City of Pacific Grove, we would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the youth of our city and the new Pacific Grove Youth Center.

The Nodilo Building, named in honor of Ruby and Martin Nodilo, who provided the heart and soul to Pacific Grove's Rec Club for 25 years, is the proud new home for teen activities and programs in Pacific Grove.

Designed with sensitivity to the architectural heritage of our city, the Youth Center represents a community commitment to youth that has existed since Pacific Grove began its first Rec Club in 1945.

The children who grew up with that Rec Club are now community and business leaders as well as parents and grandparents of the children who will grow up with the new Youth Center, proving how important it is for a community to join together in support of its children.

While funding for construction of the building was provided by the City of Pacific Grove, contributions from the entire community have made possible the programs, activities, furnishings and equipment that will bring life to the new youth center.

We hope all residents who worked so hard to make this dream come true will take pride in the knowledge that you have made a positive difference in the lives of our children. And we thank you for contributing to the wonderful community spirit that makes Pacific Grove a truly special place to live.

Sandra Koffman, mayor
John Miller, director of recreation
Jody Aliotti, recreation coordinator

Reader supports Miller for mayor

Editor:

The City Council of Pacific Grove is way ahead in the NO department as I see it.

NO new business in empty store fronts on Lighthouse Avenue.

NO new business in Country Club Gate shopping center to fill empty spaces.

NO money from City Hall to market Pacific Grove to new business.

NO housing for seniors.

NO stand on Ft. Ord Re-use.

NO full service Youth Center.

NO consistency in P.G. City Council decisions.

NO park maintenance.

NO full staff at the city's Public Works Department.

NO WATER - NO DAM - NO DESAL.

NO revenue from the city owned Yount House for more than a year.

NO ADA access to P. G. City Hall.

NO pot hole repairs.

NO solutions!

What we have had for the last two years

are committees, lots of committees to

study all kinds of stuff. A year and a half

for the city council to accept a

committee's recommendations on Bike

racks and trash cans. (I guess that was a



tough one).

Time consuming and expensive study after study which has accomplished what? Not much I think. Do we want two more years of "making nice" and getting nothing accomplished? Let's get this city back on the right track with less talk and more action.

Dan Miller can lead P.G. in the right direction with dynamic, direct and decisive leadership. Vote for Dan Miller for Mayor of Pacific Grove.

Sally Hergott, Pacific Grove

Set facts straight about statue idea

Editor:

In the last issue of the Beacon an article appeared about the Butterfly Kids sculpture recognizing and attributing all credit for its location to the Pacific Grove Friends of the Arts. Would you please publish this letter to set the record straight, to wit:

1. The initial proposal and request for consideration of this project was made in 1995 to the City Council by the Pacific Grove Arts Commission under my chairmanship and that of past Chair Barbara Zito. It was not the sole idea of the Pacific Grove Friends of the Arts, who added its support, endorsement and co-sponsorship. The Arts Commission has also contributed financial support, time and interest in raising contributions to pay for this superb artistic work by Chris Bell.

2. The artist, Christopher Bell, a modest man and an artist of great talent deserves the primary credit for his creation. His devotion to our City, demonstrated by his donation of this statue and the others in Berwick Park, deserves all community recognition as the true creator of this monument to our children and the Monarch Butterfly.

3. Finally, let it be known and acknowledged that the following individuals and donors had a very intricate and important part in making this project a reality:

Congressman Sam Farr who saved a lot of time eliminating red tape in obtaining a spot for the statue on Federal government property.

Our own Postmaster Chris Romero and his assistant Shannon Cardwell for their enthusiasm about locating the monument at the post office building.

Grove HomeScapes and the entire Finklang family and its staff who donated time, materials, and labor for the beautiful landscaping and plantings.

The staff for the city Public Works Department and City Manager Mike Huse for expediting the installation.

The outcome of this effort is the result of much more than the efforts of the PG Arts Commission and Friends of the Arts. I'm speaking of every citizen in our community who has supported and continues to work raising funds to pay for this sculpture. We still have a ways to go in this department and we would love to hear from anyone who wants to help.

Les Reed, Chairman
Pacific Grove Arts Commission

Residents honoring vets here since 1971

Editor:

In response to your article regarding the city's new designation as a World War II Commemorative Community, and the ensuing ceremonies, I would like to make you aware of the many veterans and their families in the area who have continued to honor the memory of our deceased veterans by flying flags at Carmelo Cemetery on both Memorial and Veteran's Day.

This practice was instituted in 1971 by current P.G. resident Michael McCarthy and deceased residents Chester Stalter, Clarence Truesdale, and Walter Milette. The flying of flags at the cemetery has been continued by the members of American Legion Post 41 in Monterey. The flags posted at the cemetery are those that once covered the caskets of veterans and have been entrusted to the Post in their honor.

While I am proud that the city is honoring veterans with a special commemorative flag and ceremony, I feel that it is important to note that many of us have continued to remember not only the World War II veterans, but all those who served in defense of our country's freedom.

Once the ceremonies are over and the commemorative flag has been retired, the members of American Legion Post 41 will continue to honor the many men and women who served our country by flying their flags at Carmelo Cemetery.

Gretchen Norton, New Monterey

Vote Potter for 5th District supervisor

Editor:

After receiving the two "hit" pieces on Dave Potter this week I must speak out. Many of the projects listed were

single family homes just like you and I live in. That is why they only referred to them by lot number. On the Montsalas Condominiums I was the framing foreman for Blackhawk Construction, a subcontractor.

I know that each and every unit was framed to the architect's specifications and Uniform Building Code standards. Years after the project was completed the homeowners sued, because of roof leaks due to other subcontractors.

The lawyers for the homeowners sued everyone connected with the project down to the smallest subcontractor just to make sure they could get money from someone. Dave Potter was caught up in the lawyers fervor because he happened to carry a very good insurance policy.

Many legal actions in the "hit" pieces were only listed by case number. A little investigation will show that many are actions that Dave was forced to bring in order to get legitimate payment for work he performed.

When he decided to leave town, Dave's partner wanted to declare bankruptcy and leave the creditors holding the bag. That probably would have been the easiest road to take, but Dave made arrangements with his creditors to pay them. Some liens were filed, but this is merely a tool of construction law to preserve one's legal rights. I find it to Dave's credit that he had the fortitude to work through this as a responsible businessman. A lesser man would have taken the easy way out.

The fact that Jeff Davi finds it necessary to stoop to playing fast and loose with the facts only shows his desperation at the end of the campaign and inability to relate to issues and experience (or lack thereof).

William Tyler, Pacific Grove

Vote Davi for 5th District supervisor

Editor:

Those opposing Jeff Davi for 5th District Supervisor are incorrectly labeling him pro-development, and more recently, accusing him of sounding pro-environment to "hide" the pro-development label. The truth is that neither of these versions is accurate.

Throughout his campaign, Jeff Davi has proclaimed a moderate position, a common sense balance between healthy local growth and protection of the environment.

Proof of his common sense approach is easy to find. He opposes any development at Fort Ord on the ocean side of Highway 1. He was one of the first to recommend a major reduction in the future development at Fort Ord. His primary objective in seeking a solution to the county's water problem is to serve current residents, not new development.

In fiscal matters, Jeff's common sense approach is also evident in his desire for an annual independent audit of the County Budget to discover duplication and waste, freeing up funds for public safety, and other public services.

Mr. Davi has been successful, solvent, and honest local businessman for several years. His knowledge and experience in financial matters, compared with the dubious personal record of Dave Potter, who has been involved in numerous de-

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development project lawsuits, tax liens and defaults, makes Jeff Davi the obvious choice for improving the fiscal health of Monterey County government.

If you want a consistent common sense balance between growth and the environment, with fiscal integrity, the choice is clear: Vote for Jeff Davi for 5th District Supervisor.

Pamela Larson, Pebble Beach

Measure M Public planning of private development

Measure M is a unique and bold step on the part of a landowner to give the general public the opportunity to legislate, at the polls, how 20,000 acres of county land south of Carmel Valley will be used.

Known as the Santa Lucia Ranch, the property is designed to limit construction to 350 homes, a 150 room lodge, a golf course, and general store with gas station. Those improvements are to be confined to 2,000 acres, leaving the remaining 18,000 acres to open space with public access. Many restrictions on building sites preclude construction on ridges or steep slopes, archaeological sites, or waterfronts.

The measure limits road improvements to upgrades of the existing 40 of the 100 miles of existing dirt roads. It requires Rancho San Carlos to (1) fund and construct new access and egress (turning lanes) at the intersection of Highway 1 and Carmel Valley road to accommodate a 40% increase in traffic, from anywhere, and (2) pay almost \$3 million to the County for upgrade of local roads.

Water supply shall be from subsurface wells at sources not tributary to the Carmel Valley aquifer.

Measure M will create 200 permanent jobs and \$10 million in annual property tax revenues plus \$700,000 in room taxes. A sewage treatment plant will contain liquid waste and reclamation plant, capable of producing 70,000 gallons per day, will clarify irrigation water for the golf course and other irrigation.

Access to Santa Lucia Ranch is to be Rancho San Carlos Road. Robinson Canyon Road is for emergency/utility use only and will be improved to expedite emergency vehicles.

Access to and from Carmel Valley road requires the development to extend the existing four-lane section of Carmel Valley Road to Rancho San Carlos Road with a long left turn lane from San Carlos west onto Carmel Valley Road and vice-versa. Another required improvement is a pedestrian bridge over the Carmel River along side San Carlos Road bridge. All these improvements to be paid for by Santa Lucia Ranch.

Finally, Measure M, includes an elaborate wildlife and natural habitat preservation plan combined with educational and public use, all funded by a trust endowed by ranch property owners deed covenants.

-by Eric Colby

What our readers say about Measure M

Editor:

How many opportunities has the voting public had to vote on a plan to preserve one of the biggest areas of open space in the Monterey Peninsula area?

Rancho San Carlos is a 20,000 acre property slated for a minimum amount of development and a maximum amount of preservation. 350 homes and resident serving facilities (grocery store, recreation, etc.) on only 2,000 acres. 18,000 acres of open space will be permanently preserved at no cost to the public.

This proposal is nothing when compared to the Ft. Ord Reuse plan, 28,000 acres, and potentially several thousand homes.

A no vote on Measure M doesn't mean that the land will stay the way that it is. Certainly the property will be developed. Even the EIR for the project says that if the project is denied, the current lots of record would be subdivided and developed. This would result in up to 522 houses scattered all over the property and no open space preservations.

Measure M is a matter of choices for the voters. Which do you prefer: A no vote on Measure M will certainly result in development as usual with 522 homes, outbuildings, 522 wells and fences at most property lines, unrestricted dogs and cats and all of the effects this would have on the animals on the Ranch.

A Yes Vote on Measure M will permanently protect 18,000 acres for wildlife, and only allow 297 parcels to be sold for residential construction. The choice is yours, please vote yes on Measure M.

Mark Viera, Pacific Grove

... "if Measure M passes, Monterey County will become a national model for protection of environmentally valuable open space through private funding. We can show the country how to do the right thing **without** raising taxes.

I just learned there are over 500 acres of redwoods on the property. Without the protection and certainty of Measure M, individual lot owners could "harvest" many of these trees for a fast buck.

For the long-term protection of a spectacular private property in Monterey County, I urge you to join me in voting Yes on M."

B. B. Bertolino, Pacific Grove

... "note that there are only two options. Vote "yes" and you limit the Ranch to a maximum of 350 homesites on a property the size of most of the Monterey Peninsula with 90% of the land preserved with game management forever.

Vote "no" and you will be responsible for the building of up to 526 homes in an uncontrolled patchwork of new roads, fences, and wells with no individual owner having responsibility for wildlife preservation.

That's it. You have only two choices. Measure M is not about IF the property will be developed. It's about HOW the property will be developed. Voting YES on M is the best plan for use of this property which is why all five county supervisors approved this thoughtful plan."

Tony Grissim, Pacific Grove

... "As I understand it, some of the current opponents of Measure M helped Walter Wong, the County's director of environmental Health, select a qualified independent hydrologist to review water information submitted by ranch owners."

After their involvement in this process, it's amazing that opponents continue to dispute the findings of the water consultants. I guess the answer that plenty of water is available didn't fit their agenda. It's interesting that opponents have yet to present a shred of evidence to dispute the findings by several independent experts that a significant quantity of water exists at Rancho San Carlos.

If voters turn down Measure M, the prospect of any control over water use at Rancho San Carlos will be gone. Does this scenario concern you? ... up to 522 new parcels, each with their own well, pumping as much water as they can use for residential use, vineyards, livestock, gardens, etc.? We've already learned what unrestricted water use can do. Look at Carmel Valley.

If you are concerned about water, vote yes on Measure M. A no vote will eventually create huge water problems as those 522 lots start building homes and using as much water as they want to, whenever they want. The Ranch is not in the Water Management District and, even if there is a drought, there are no controls over water use - unless the current controls remain in place. Vote YES on Measure M.

Anne Packard, Pebble Beach



... "If the entire Monterey Peninsula had the same density as proposed for Rancho San Carlos, there would only be 225 homes, rather than the current 27,250!

If Measure M fails, over 500 individual property owners can drill at will on their lots, without limits on how much they pump. If the peninsula's future water supply is your biggest concern, the obvious choice is to vote YES on M. A "no" vote will take us back to those 2-minute showers and baths in dirty water."

Phyllis K. Costanza, Monterey

... "Respect of private property rights, when all applicable laws, rules, regulations and environmental considerations are met, is among the most precious treasures of freedom we have in America.

As reflected in the Rancho San Carlos proposal, Measure M, the interrelationship of private property rights and the

public interest can't get much better than this. Please let us assure its adoption. Vote YES on M."

Gordon Paul Smith, Carmel

... "I cannot believe that anyone would vote for Measure M if they have to travel through the intersection of Highway One and the Carmel Valley Road or at, and through, the Rio Road gridlock every day ... for work, school, or just to go and come home. ... Because of the distance from town, two vehicles per household would be minimum and, of course, if more people were living there, we could expect the possibility of more vehicles per household. These autos are going to use gasoline and, if you live in the valley or even travel there occasionally, you will be able to see the yellow pall on certain days. Add hundreds of trucks and tractors that will be used in the development process, and there will be added air pollution. ... Vote NO on Measure M."

Leo Tanous, Carmel

"We have entered into a period of politics of paralysis: No matter how good one's proposal, one can bet that virulent opposition will appear. Such is the case with Rancho San Carlos. The owners have jumped through all the hoops demanded by the county. The resulting plan is so good that even some opposition leaders call it a "good deal" while complaining only about the specific locations of development.

Measure M is not development versus no development. It is planning versus the wild west format of everyone for himself. A comparable situation is Featherbow Ranch, formerly Parrot Ranch, a once pristine mountainous area of Cachagua Valley bordering the Ventana Wilderness.

In 1970 the owner of the 2,580 acre ranch, sold. New owners renamed it Featherbow Ranch and proceeded with development plans. Zoning was one unit/5 acres, or 516 homes. They planned to develop 450- 500 two+ acre sites and set aside 1,000 acres for open space abutting the Ventana Wilderness. This included infrastructure improvement for roads, underground utilities, water supply, and trails into Ventana, all to be coordinated and financed by a homeowners association.

County officials of the period were not farsighted and rejected the plan. The owners were unable to keep the ranch and immediately filed a minor subdivision map creating 40-acre parcels which were subsequently subdivided four more times. With no required conditions for each sale, the infrastructure is haphazard with dirt roads, overhead utilities, and major water problems.

With a Yes for Measure M we know what the future of Rancho San Carlos will be. If you consider voting no to cause the failure of Measure M, please drive out to Featherbow and have a look at the probable future of RSC, etched out in bad roads, willy-nilly development and meandering power lines lacking the landscape.

Paul Brocchini, Carmel

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schoolbriefs

What is RAP?

At PG Middle School RAP stands for Ring-A-Parent. During the final two school days of each month, the faculty and staff members are asked to make two positive phone calls home to parents. This systematic communication is used to focus staff and parental attention on the excellent work ethic, attitude, and conduct displayed by PGMS students. Parents are asked to acknowledge the call with a short note that is displayed in the office.

Lower class size at RDS

In his October Newsletter Robert Down School Principal Matt Bell noted that a shift in State funding permitting instruction to 1st and 2nd graders in classes of 20 students or less, enabling more individualized instruction. Bell also mentioned that the State has earmarked money to purchase supplemental reading materials to augment learning of reading skills among primary students.

Youth Basketball

The PG Rec Dep is accepting player registration for youths in grades 3-8 for the 1997 Youth Basketball season. Separate leagues for boys and girls. Practice starts in December and league play ends March 8, 1997. Cost is \$45 per child. Family discounts available. Emphasis is on participation rather than winning. Registration deadline is Friday, November 15 at 4:30pm. For more info call Don Mothershead, 648-3130.

Student trash patrol

Wednesdays are campus beautification days at RDS. That's when students will be clearing the campus of loose litter and debris during their recess. Neighboring residents have adopted the areas in front of their money to keep clean and to plant flowers. Some businesses have pledged to work on the school's front area and keep it green.

School Calendar

November 2 - PGHS Band Review, 11am parade, Pine Avenue at Wood & Lobos. 5pm, Field Show at the Breaker Stadium.

November 7 - PG School District board of trustees meeting, 7pm, Middle School Library.

November 19 - Middle School PTA general meeting, 7pm in the Library.

November 27 - Minimum Day Sched.

November 28-29 - Thanksgiving Holiday



FOREST GROVE TEACHER Judy Clark was one of the teachers who attended last week's special workshop on classroom changes in Pacific Grove. Teachers will be given a new agenda for primary students in the future. The full story is on pages 1 and 2 of the Beacon Subscriber Edition

First school quarter is over already

Today, Friday November 1, is the end of the first quarter of the 1996-97 school year in Pacific Grove School District. Report cards will be mailed home next week. All students at the Middle School earning a 3.0 grade point average or higher will be honored at the quarterly Honor Society Breakfast scheduled for Tuesday, November 12 at 7:15am in the gym. Parents are invited and will receive invitations at home. The Middle School PTA will manage this event.

Two Grove sites set for Lyceum courses

Lyceum of Monterey County, a non-profit organization providing learning programs to children in Monterey County, has scheduled two classes in November to be held in Pacific Grove.

Saturday, Nov 2, a class will be held at the Monterey Bay Aquarium to explore and discover life in the sea for grades 3-5 from 1-3pm.

Saturday, Nov 2, from 10-11:30am, a tour of KSBW-TV in Salinas will be held for grades 5-12, to learn what goes into the preparation of a 3-minute weather report.

Saturdays, Nov 2, 9 & 16 students in grades 3-6 may join N.J. Taylor at the PG Museum of Natural History for a drawing class with nature and science as model. That's from 9:30-12 noon.

Lyceum classes are an addition to the curricula of public and private schools. Registration fees as low as \$8 are charged for both students and adults attending classes.

For more info and registration call 372-6098, or visit the Lyceum at 1073 Sixth street, Monterey.

REMEMER, as a BEACON subscriber you're entitled to have FREE want ads in every issue. Clip form on p. 22

Bored with your lunch? Take a peek at middle school menu

A little known fact to the school drop out is that our school district in Pacific Grove is also in the food business. This is published as a reminder to all students and parents. The following break and lunch menus are offered daily.

Break: Choice of donut, bagel or muffin, orange juice and milk, \$1.25 per student, \$1.35 per adult.

Lunch combo: Choice of one entree (burrito, sandwich, etc.) tater tots or chips, choice of salad, fresh fruit or juice and chocolate or white milk, \$2.50 per

student, \$2.75 adult

A la carte: Assorted sandwiches \$1.50 ea; Burrito .75; Pizza \$1.25; Chicken nuggets \$1.25;

Hamburger \$1; Hot pocket \$1; Corn dog .75; Small salad .50; Fresh fruit .30; Fruit Juice .40; Tater tots .50; Milk .40.

Round Table pizza is available daily for \$1.50 per slice.

All food is served under supervision of Mike Sheffer, food service manager for the school district.

Tennis Club revives popular Saturday friendly doubles play

Members of the Pacific Grove Tennis Club have revived the popular Saturday mixed doubles play from 9am 'til noon (except when a tournament is scheduled).

Tournaments for junior players will be organized every month (first is Nov. 2-3, then Nov. 23-24). After school workouts for all ages, all levels, will be from 3:30 to 5:30pm. Check with Mark at the pro shop for details as well as schedules for tennis lessons over Christ-

mas holidays.

Players interested in joining the tennis club are invited to turn out on the free tennis days (Sunday, November 6) to play and get acquainted.

Who knows? Some of the PG Tennis Club luck may rub off on you. Two members recently won a car. First, Wynette Cowen won a '65 Mustang Classic. Then, Seija Larsen topped that by winning a '96 Ford Bronco.

Girl Scout programs benefit from boxcar sales in Gotham City

Proceeds from the sale in New York of a carload of Monterey County produce resulted in \$6,737 for the Girl Scouts of Monterey Bay.

Coordinated by Cliff Woods of D'Arrigo Brothers in Salinas, the sale involved donations from several shippers and transportation companies.

D'Arrigo Brothers organized the first

Carload Produce Sale in 1987. Over the years it has raised \$81,363 for Girl Scouts of Monterey Bay, which uses the proceeds to provide outreach services to low income children in housing areas in Salinas and children of migrant families. This includes materials, adult training and camperships for program and camping opportunities.

PGAC seeks directors, annual meeting Dec 3

A \$2,000 grant from the City of Pacific Grove was "greatfully received" by the Pacific Grove Art Association, according to President Sally Higgins. The money will be used for funding capital improvements at the Center on Light-house Avenue.

Although a previous Beacon report noting that rent to the Pacific Grove Art Center had been increased in June by 12 percent was correct, PGAC president Sally Higgins reports that building owner Julie Beck has since reduced the rents.

"We are extremely grateful to Ms. Beck for this wonderful news," said Higgins.

Even with the rent lowered, the PGAC board of directors has made "a difficult" decision to increase fees. Membership fees are now \$20 for students, \$25 for individuals, and \$35 for family. And commissions on gallery sales will now be 40% on work sold by the featured artists, still below commercial gallery percentages, according to Higgins.

General elections for the PGAC board of directors will be held December 3 at 7pm. Those interested in joining the board of directors are invited to send a resume or letter expressing your interest to Higgins, c/o PGAC, PO Box 633, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

DAR to honor Julie Packard for conservation

by Gloria Grenfell

The Director of Monterey's internationally-known Aquarium, Julie Packard, will be honored for her conservation achievements on Nov. 19. Ms. Packard will receive the national DAR conservation medal at special ceremonies on Cannery Row.

California State DAR Regent Jean

McNew will make the presentation.

A luncheon meeting is planned for noon at Spadaro's Restaurant. Members and guests will then explore the Aquarium's most current displays and discoveries on an expertly-guided tour.

For further information calls may be made to Program Chair Lynne Bynum, 624-4346 or Alice Lemos at 644-0605.

Church Directory



Peninsula Christian Center,
(Assemblies of God), 520 Pine Ave
at Fountain. Sunday worship
10:45am & 6pm. Bible study
Wednesday 7 pm. *Paul Wilson,*
Pastor. **373-0431**

St. Angela's Catholic Church,
Lighthouse at 9th Street. Masses:
Sat.-8am & 5:30 pm. Sun-8am,
10am, noon & 5:30pm. Confes-
sions: Sat.- 4pm to 5pm. Daily
masses: 8am and 12:10pm.
655-4160

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Shore Lines

by Neill Gardner

Those Coffin Nails

IT IS hard not to break out laughin' when you hear about folks bringing class action suits against the tobacco companies because cigarettes ruined their health.

Anyone whose mouth tasted like the inside of a sewer for years on end, who hacked like someone in a TB ward and who ran out of breath at the sight of a flight of stairs has no business hailing anyone else into court.

Why in the world have we been calling them coffin nails for the past several generations? You knew. I knew. And the guy down the street knew. Jeepers.

BACK IN the days when Zig Zag papers were used to wrap Bull Durham, Prince Albert and other legal stuff, there was a touch of macho that went with the drill.

You didn't see many of the gentler sex rolling her own with one hand and then lighting up with a kitchen match that had been ignited by sliding it down a stretched Can't Bust 'Em leg.

It may or may not be to our credit that we gave the females the vote and put self-starters on the cars. But the guy who invented tailor-made cigarettes didn't do them any favor.

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You may be a Republican. You may be willing to fight and die for personal freedoms. You may want government to keep its nose out. Even so, you sure don't want that little girl to light that damned cigarette.

THOSE OF us who smoked two or three packs of Camels a day before filters were invented knew we were not ingesting vitamins. We didn't blame Joe Camel or Clark Gable for enticing us down that sinful trail.

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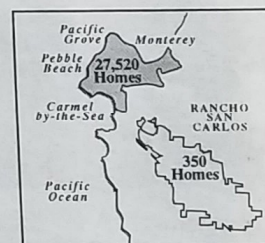
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Exhibits

Hauk Fine Arts

"Over Traveled Roads: New Paintings by Belle Yang," a selection of recent works for sale and from private collections by the nationally acclaimed Carmel artist and author, will run from Nov. 1 through Dec. 29.

The exhibit ties into two milestones in the literary and artistic career of Yang, artist-author of the 1994 book "*Baba: A Return to China Upon My Father's Shoulders*." First, Harcourt Brace has just published her new book, "The Odyssey of a Manchurian," the second in the trilogy of Yang's father's youth in the 1930's and '40s China.

And, the Monterey Museum of Art at La Mirada will present a major exhibit of her watercolors created for "The Odyssey of a Manchurian" from Nov. 9 thru Feb. 12. The exhibit will also include several paintings from "Baba." The watercolors exhibited at Hauk Fine Arts are autobiographical. Compositions depict with charm Yang and her family's emotional and symbolic ties to China. Combining her unique style with traditional Chinese brush painting and Chinese folk art, the watercolors are done in rich purples, greens, blues and yellows.

Time Magazine called Yang's paintings "gorgeous," while the Washington Post wrote that here paintings "recall Matisse, Chagall, Hokusai." The San Francisco Chronicle called her paintings "brilliant."

The Times of India said she is "a kind of Oriental Van Gogh" while the San Jose Mercury News said her work is "a delight to relish through both eye and ear."

Open Thu, Fri, and Sat from 11 to 5 or by appointment. 206 Fountain Avenue, Pacific Grove, 373-6007.

Artists Forum Gallery

A variety of plein air style works by contemporary artist Michael Thomas Kainer is now being exhibited. Paintings on display are samples from Kainer's "Painted Poems" collection and portray scenes of the Monterey Peninsula. Several other plein air works will also be on exhibit by other local artists. 309 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove. 375-4-ART

Vandon Collection

Glass paperweight exhibit by Robert Stephan, Glass Eye Studios, Rebecca Stewart, and Lundberg Studios. Now through November 3. Vandon Collection's 6th Anniversary. 650 Lighthouse Avenue, #120, Pacific Grove. 655-8205.

Pacific Grove Art Center

Exhibits up through November 22:

Dyke Gallery features Mira Shallcross Kamada whose series of paintings "Passing Through - New Abstract Painting" represent two years of departure from realism, using subjects more for their shape than content.

Gill Gallery features Robert Ellis' photographic exhibit "Bodies at Rest - Newton's 1st Law Interpreted." Ellis uses the photographic process to capture the beauty of the human form and its relationship with the seemingly immortal landscape.

Boyer Gallery features David Martin-Loza with "Image and Verse- Figurative paintings of Memorable Friends and the Poems they Inspired." Paintings of people with poems by the artist inspired by his subjects.

Photography Gallery features Heidi McGurrian with "Cuba: First Impressions," images that evoke the spirit of the currently unsettled state and endangered lifestyle of Central Americans, sometimes employing

images hand painted with watercolors and colored pencils to evoke the spirit of her subjects.

The Art Center at 568 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, is open Tue-Sat noon-5pm and Sundays 1-4pm.

Raven in the Grove

A group exhibit entitled "In Her Honor II," a celebration of the relationship of the woman artist to the Goddess will run through November 1. Participating artists include Carolyn Berry, Jennifer Block, Jennifer Colby, Cindy Davis, Susan Dorf, Gail Goodenow, Jane Olin, and Denise Sallee. 505 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, 649-6057

Vehicle Gallery

Now featuring photographic works of Madeline Berger capturing the spirit of flamenco. A student and flamenco guitarist for 26 years, this musician shows 20 photographs in an exhibit now up through January 6. The gallery is open Mon-Thu from 10am to 6pm; Fri and Sat 10-5 with a daily lunch break from 1-3pm. 551 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove (in the back of the Camera Exchange). 373-0448 for info.

Museum of Natural History

An exhibit of Indian rock art of the Southwest opens Saturday, November 2 featuring photographs by Carmel Valley resident Dale Hekhuis. Open through January 5, 1997. Hours 10am - 5pm Tue-Sun., Central and Forest, Pacific Grove. Admission free.

Back Porch Fabrics

Look Through My Window, an exhibit of quilts by quilt artist Mary Ellen Parsons, is now featured through November 20 at Back Porch Fabrics and Gallery, 157 Grand Avenue, Pacific Grove.



Monastery Beach, oil on canvas by Michael Thomas Kainer is now featured in the exhibit at Artists Forum Gallery, 309 Forest, PG.

Tillie Gort's

An exhibit of Jeff Hoke's paintings titled "The Do-it-yourself Museum" is now on display at this restaurant in Pacific Grove. Hoke explores how museums change the



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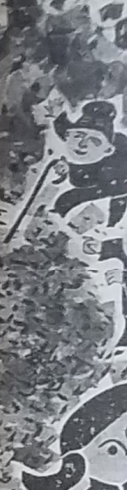
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Hauk Fine Arts displays the Chinese art of Carmel artist Belle Yang, opening today and continuing through December 29.

meanings of everyday objects, inviting viewers to share in this exploration by providing a means to make our own individual museum. Hoke has worked in museums for the past 15 years and his work has been exhibited in museums across the country. Open daily 11am to 10:30 pm through November 18. 111 Central Avenue, 373-0335.

Monterey Museum of Art

Public is invited to an afternoon of live music at La Mirada on Sunday, November 3 from 1:30-3:30pm. The ongoing "First Sunday" event offers classical music and an opportunity to stroll through the galleries and gardens. The Ensemble Monterey features a trio including piano, viola and clarinet. On exhibit are *The Lure of the Sea*, paintings by regional artists from the first half of the 20th Century. *The Art of Everyday Life*: 18th and 19th Century Japan; *Chinese Yi Xing Ware*: Selected Works from the Collection; and Robynn Smith: *Gesture, Light and Texture*. Wine and soda available for purchase. A \$3 donation requested.



Pacific Grove Dining Guide

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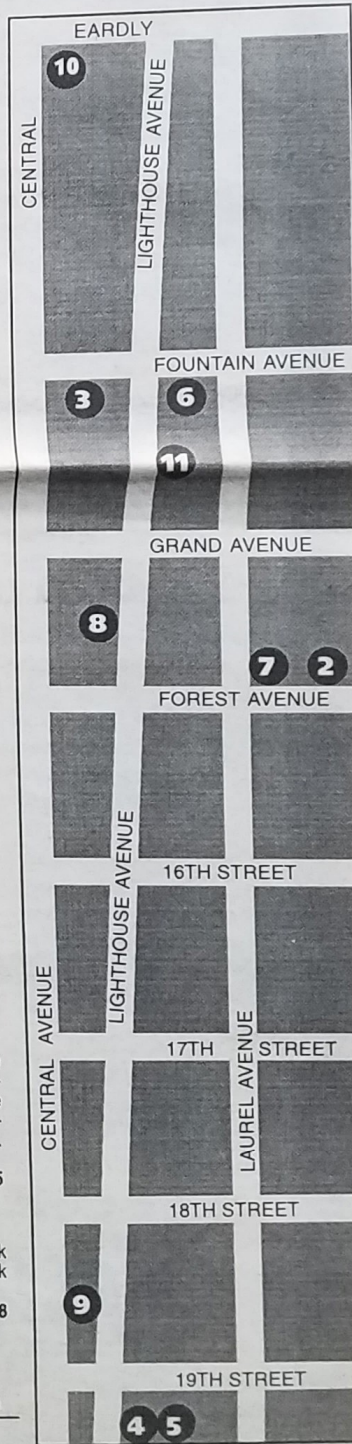
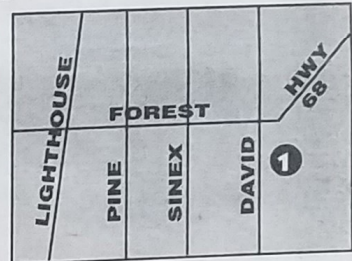
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11 Vehicle Gallery

Featuring photography and paintings. Check About Town for scheduled shows. (In back of the Camera Exchange). 551 Lighthouse Avenue 373-0448



brigadoon by the bay

by Eric Colby

Butterfly kids. The newly installed sculpture at the Pacific Grove post office created by Chris Bell may be the most poignant public monument in town. Like the old couple embracing on a park bench in Carmel, the innocence of the butterfly kids epitomizes a spirit transcending the fears and narrow preoccupations of those in our community burdened with the husbandry of the Grove's destiny, as though returning a lost innocence to the "Last Hometown."

Tennis courts. For several years residents who regularly use the Grove's tennis courts have been complaining about the growing irregularities of its surface. That nothing has been done can only mean a lack of money prevents City Hall from fixing the problem. Members of the Tennis Club are now fantasizing that a benevolent local business owner will come up with enough dough to surface a court, earning a mounted plaque on the spot memorializing his beneficence. Fat chance! The plaintive thought, however, does highlight the disparity between the City's lack of revenue and its responsibility to properly maintain the municipality's physical assets.

Growth. Next Tuesday's election will test our electorate's collective grasp of the consequences of growth, or no growth. Slogans have abounded since the student riots at Berkeley decrying our ravishing of the earth, replacing natural, uninhabited environments with paved roads and homes, covering up every inch of watershed, packing human life into overcrowded spaces like melons in a crate, breeding behavioral mutations that exacerbate the fragile human nervous system's inadequacy to endure the stress of being removed so far from an existence that is natural.

Both "yes" and "no" votes on Measure E have adverse consequences relative to the issue of "growth." The no-growthers' vote will condemn us to either impoverished government coffers or higher taxes by prohibiting the expansion and assessed valuation necessary to keep up with governmental inflationary deficit spending. The freeways and tennis courts of the country won't get resurfaced. And our physical assets (like our roads) will continue to deteriorate.

And the pro-growthers invite eventual depletion of natural resources like water, productive land, and natural preserves that replenishes and restores our habitat.

No-growth produces no tax revenue, no trade surplus, and heads us toward a Medieval subsistence economy with citizens desperately fighting over land to grow their own beans on while pensioners, too weak to toil, starve without monthly government checks.

Sometime soon, the political rhetoric and the exchange of meaningless buzz words must cease and the idiots in the temple creating the clamor must be turned out. I'm talking about all the nice guys who listen to everybody and go back to Washington trying to please every voter who bent his ear. They successfully get \$14 million for this and \$1 million for that and all the employees in their constituency and think they've done a good job. But most congressmen haven't a clue where the money they are handing around is going to come from. What a world we are leaving for our grandchildren.

Our society, our school children, need to study economics and accounting ... oh, and maybe some philosophy. And pass a final exam before they earn the right to vote. A simple study of biology tells any student that the body of the corporate business structure and our government in America has outgrown its nervous system.

Well, I digress. My point is that as voters we understand little about growth. The city mothers and fathers of Pacific Grove spent several millions of dollars in the 1980's and '90's buying up buildable lots for open space. I don't condemn that. It was a noble gesture. But now the City can't afford to fix its tennis courts or outfit its Youth Center without begging in the streets.

Volunteer community groups now must proliferate to support the schools, buy statues, build parks, or whatever their taxes paid should be providing the community. Do they go to City Hall for money? Of course not. Do they canvass the neighborhood residents in this "city of homes" for donations. Of course not. They look to bleed every merchant in town because they see a cash register in the store (which the average home-maker doesn't have in the hallway to greet solicitors with).

As a people of plenty, we've grown up ignorant about wealth and growth resulting, at election time, in much mindless babbling about developers and eco-freaks.

I think we are caught in a muddle, victims of no comprehension about the facts of growth. Or no growth. Karl Marx said that capitalism requires a surplus to succeed. And he said one of three elements in the economy must be sacrificed to produce a surplus; capital, labor, or raw material (natural resources). We're running out of everything?

Jeff Davi sells homes. Dave Potter builds them. Both can equally profit from inside advance information about future development of land. One of them is not as ease with himself. The other is full of enthusiasm and ideas and sounds eager to arise every morning. Davi seems the type born to find practical solutions and to look for equitable consensus.

PG Pony League. This wonderful organization providing activity for over 700 youths on the Pacific Grove Peninsula is facing a crisis. There are specific tasks required in the support of this program requiring the weekly chores of 22 people. Only 12 volunteers have committed for the coming season. If you find yourself doing nothing constructive with your free time on weekends, do yourself a favor and check in with Rick Rodewald @ 375-7485 and see if you can help.

OPINION

No excuses, just do it

IF AMERICANS have one obligation it is to exercise the right to choose their leaders. We stand on the shoulders of men and women who have given their lives to ensure that privilege.

It may be a messy process. The best candidate may not always win. Even so, the system is superior to those that make their selections under the barrel of a gun.

This no time for registered voters on the Monterey Peninsula to be sitting on their hands. While the Pacific Grove City Council race may seem to be a ho-hum affair, the county, state and national elections contain vital questions.

Measures E and M will determine conditions under which coming generations

will live. The supervisorial race may well determine whether the water question is pushed off dead center, where it has rested for generations.

Waiting until one gets behind the curtain to make decisions is a poor way to go about voting. The current ballot is loaded with lawyer-talk. Yes means no, and that's no accident. Families should get out their sample ballot and start fighting about the questions.

Being an American is no spectator sport.

Those who fail to participate will have no reason to complain if the results of the election are not to their liking.

--Neill Gardner

RSC developers' Halloween scare

by Bruce Zanetta

The Rancho San Carlos developers have resorted to scare tactics in their latest blitz of campaign ads. This is both ironic and sad, since these scare tactics couldn't be farther from the truth.

The developer has suggested that if their proposal is turned down by voters the ranch could be subdivided into 522 lots of record. Where does that number come from, when the site has only 125 historically legal homestead patents?

It turns out the source of this number is in the Environmental Impact Report. An EIR attempts to express a full range of possibilities to aid in the decision making process.

In this case (the EIR author(s) speculate that a further subdividing of present legal lots to a maximum total of 522 possible lots is one POSSIBILITY among the many. That's all there is behind this fear tactic! From that single piece of speculation, the developer's advertisers have spun off enough mythical maps and pontifications to make Einstein a believer.

A "no" vote by the public sends the ranch back to preservation with a mandate from the public for less impact and a better overall plan that the developer, every agency and elected official must heed.

Subdividing for sale, is not a course this developer or any developer would want to take. Following the general plan's prescriptions for a single development will be, by far, the path of least resistance and the path with the most reward when compared to breaking up the development.

As an example, if this developer or any other developer breaks up this property for sale, the lot limit must go back to the 125 legal lots of record. And still they must foot the bill of a costly infrastructure.

The most ridiculous part of this monstrous myth is that this worse case scenario may actually be better for the County than the proposed plan.

From a qualitative perspective we find that we are comparing one rotten apple to another rotten apple.

The EIR's worse case scenario is a vast subdivision. This plan is also a vast subdivision. The developer's plan has commercial units as well. The Halloween

scenario does not. From a quantitative perspective, we may actually be comparing a small rotten apple to a bigger rotten apple. The 522 lot worse case scenario actually appears to be a better choice than the developer's plan.

To provide a fair and honest comparison, one should compare total allowable units (residential, hotel, commercial) possible in each of the two scenarios. This is because units offer a more direct quantitative correlation to population and therefore to impacts (water, air, traffic, etc.).

If we total up the units under the developer's mixed use plan as proposed (350 residences + 150 hotel) we come up with a total of 500 units to compare to the 522 possible in the worse case scenario. And that total does not include the remaining commercial such as restaurant, store, equestrian, service facilities etc., in this plan that shall all add population.

500 units represents the certain (living) units in the developer's plan. The allowable unit total is much higher. Various commercial, multiple unit employee inclusionary, allowable senior (50%), allowable caretaker (50%) and allowable guesthousing (75%), will very likely increase this total.

It is just about a given that these wealthy homeowners will go for the maximum allowable. A very conservative total has the plan with well above 1200 allowable units. (It is very conservative, because I left out the potential multiple inclusionary units per lot, expected commercial units/ population and etc.)

In fairness, the EIR's worse case scenario could also have more than one unit per lot. However that is speculation that even the EIR authors apparently did not enter into. Any additional units in the hypothetical will have to pass through the various watch dog processes.

Whereas these 1200+ allowable units will be mostly a given if you approve the developer's mixed - use plan.

The bottom line is, even the EIR's very unlikely worse case scenario is no worse than this presently proposed plan. To prevent your worst Halloween nightmare vote "NO" on measure M.

(Bruce Zanetta is a Monterey Peninsula resident and native)

COMMUNITY newsbriefs

Senior driving classes

A two day driving class aimed at preparing adults over the age of 55 to pass the California Vehicle drivers license examination will be held in Pacific Grove this month.

On November 14 and 15, the AARP Mature Driving Class will meet four hours each day at the Meals on Wheels, 700 Jewell Avenue.

Attendance is required on both days of the class to receive a DMV certificate of completion which provides a three-year deduction on auto insurance (some restrictions may apply).

Classes are limited to 30 people. There is an \$8 registration fee due at time of pre-enrollment.

For information about classes call Corinne Reiter, 626-1412

Flower Arranging demonstration

A fresh flower arranging demonstration by Brenda Parsons of Nottingham, England will be presented by the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop on Friday, November 22 from 1:00-3:00pm at the Sally Griffin Senior Center, 700 Jewell Avenue, Pacific Grove.

Mrs. Parsons has been an exhibitor at the Chelsea Flower Show and has created arrangements for the Queen and for Princess Diana. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's programs. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Discovery Shop in the Country Club Gate Center, Pacific Grove. Call 372-0866 for more information.

Dickens Fellowship

The monthly meeting of the Monterey Peninsula Dickens Fellowship will be held Saturday, November 10, 6pm, at the home of Maureen Bradford, 220 Ninth Street (corner of Laurel) in Pacific Grove. Potluck dinner, reading and discussion of Our Mutual Friend is order of the evening. RSVP to Maureen at 375-0207.

SPCA issues parvovirus alert

The SPCA of Monterey County urges all dog owners to make sure their pets have been vaccinated against parvovirus, a disease usually fatal that the SPCA and many veterinarians are seeing more cases of. Symptoms are loss of appetite, lethargy, fever, discolored feces or blood-streaked diarrhea. While not harmful to humans it's lethal to dogs. Get your dog vaccinated now is the urging by the SPCA. Call 373-2631 with questions.

Christmas Bazaar

A bazaar and luncheon featuring handcrafted gifts and ornaments, collectibles, art, jewelry, linens, silver and children's toys and clothing on sale is scheduled Saturday November 9 (10am-2pm) and Sunday November 10 (noon to 1pm)

at the First United Methodist Church, Sunset and 17-Mile Drive, Pacific Grove. This annual fund raiser by the United Methodist Women is held to support the church's outreach. This year the star of the show is a hand-made Bicentennial quilt. The Country Kitchen will serve soup and sandwiches from 10:30 to 1:30 on Saturday. Look for their best bakers' pies, cakes and cookies in the Gourmet Goodies department. 375-3718.

Gateway Center Awards

Thursday, November 7 is the 11th annual Awards Presentation to individuals and businesses in the community who have provided outstanding support in helping the Center. Developmentally disabled residents and workers of this Pacific Grove institution will also be recognized for achievement. Wines and hors d'oeuvres from local restaurants will be service along with entertainment by pianist Sonny G. Rancho Canada from 5:30 to 7:30pm. Call Mark Hughes at 372-8002 for details.

Dr. Silvia Earle at Symposium

It's no secret that fish populations in the world's oceans are in trouble. On November 4-6, the Monterey Bay Aquarium will host an international symposium of experts on "Managing Highly Migratory Fish of the Pacific Ocean." Organized by the National Coalition for Marine Conservation, the symposium brings together experts from around the Pacific Rim to discuss the status of tunas, sharks, marlin, swordfish and other Pacific fish, seeking ways to manage these populations before they're pushed to the brink of commercial extinction. Registration fee is \$135 and includes luncheon at Monterey Plaza Hotel, admission to all exhibits at Aquarium, admission to dinner reception at Outer Bay exhibit, published proceedings of symposium. Students \$50. Questions contact NCMC (703) 777-0037 or fax 777-1107.

Feast of Lanterns meeting

A November board meeting will be held Monday, November 4 at 7pm in the Heritage Society Barn at 17th St. and Laurel.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Tiebreaker determines winner in annual employees golf tourney

by Mike Huse

The fourth annual City Employees' Golf Tournament was held Monday, October 14 and, by all accounts, this little competition was a wild and crazy event.

A field of 40 players, the largest yet, teed off in beautiful weather and, after the last putt fell, the winning team was Darien Houde (volunteer fire department), Tom Uretsky, Carol Gonzales, and Polly Fry with a score of 68, four under par.

The second place team actually shot the same score, but lost in a tie breaker. Its members were retired police Chief John Matteson, Ken Freshwater, David Diehl, and Gabe Coelho of the Golf Course.

Gee, let's see, out of the top eight finishers, five are (or were) affiliated with the police department. That's good "shooting."

After the rigors of competition, the golfers retired to the Community Center for a steak barbecue prepared by master chef/golfer Gus DaSilva. Trophies were awarded and over 25 raffle prizes given away.

The one question everyone asked during the tournament was "Where's?" Well, the coot herder was in his pen as Mike Leach had his hands full keeping track of golfing partners Carlos Olvera and Bobbie Morrison.

If Merk could find lost golf balls he'd made a fortune that day.

Sends back to committee

Council stumped by new fence

By Neill Gardner

According to Dennis Hanson, superintendent at Asilomar Conference Grounds, all the folks who operate the facility wanted to do was move a fence on the East side of Asilomar Blvd. a couple of feet closer to the street.

Problems arose when CalTrans, which has jurisdiction over the road—it is part of Highway 68—protested the new fence. Those problems multiplied when CalTrans asked the City of Pacific Grove how it felt about the matter.

At its Oct. 16 session City Council heard from Ted Russell, a member of the Traffic Commission. Russell said the commission tended to side with CalTrans. He said he didn't know when no parking signs had been posted in the street.

City Manager Mike Huse reminded Council that "It's not our highway." Mayor Sandra Koffman agreed.

When Hanson said people park there from time to time despite the signs, Councilman Bob Davis wanted to know exactly who the guilty parties were. Hanson said no one bothers to run down the registration of ticketed vehicles.

Georgia Grothe asked Council to consider the fact that Asilomar contributes about half of the town's tax base.

Councilman Steve Honegger wondered what had happened to a recently floated plan to take over Highway 68 inside the city limits. Huse said, "The more we think about it, the less we like the idea." In the end, Council sent the fence idea back to the Traffic Commission.

Highway 68 in the Forest Hill area came up later in the evening. Councilman James Costello said cleaning the area up is his highest priority. Councilman Vern Yadon suggested that it might be a good idea to delay proposed utility undergrounding for a while in order to coordinate with other beautification planning. It was not a popular idea.

In other action, Council:

Let stand a Natural Resources Committee tree removal permit at 606 Lobos Avenue. Pat Herrgott had appealed.

Passed to print an ordinance banning commercial or public utility wireless communication facilities. City Attorney

George Thacher said it would not affect ham radio operators.

Continued butterfly habitat discussion to the Nov. 6 session.

Decided to do nothing about "dry" subdivision moratorium.

Heard report from John Miller concerning Youth Center traffic. He said more than 3,000 youngsters visited the facility in September and listed a string of activities scheduled, including opening of a snack bar.

Heard Huse resume concerning Proposition 218 as it affects charter cities. No action was taken.

Adjourned early. Councilmembers Robert Huitt and Terrence Zito were not in attendance.

Visitors up by 19,000

Attendance at the Monterey Visitor Center on Lake Estrero continues at a record setting pace, exceeding last year's August attendance by 19,000 visitors.

August attendance was 52,883 in 1995 and 70,081 this year.

The City of Pacific Grove contributes about \$8,000 annually to the support of the Center, through which overnight visitors may learn about our town and of empty rooms in Grove hotels and inns, who contribute 10% of their income to the city in the form of room tax.

Carmel, Monterey, and Pacific Grove support the operation of the Visitor Center. The Monterey County Travel and Tourism Alliance has voted to participate in support of the Center but does not yet have funding to join. If that happens, the Grove's annual expense could be reduced as much as \$2,000.

Subscribers' issue in new Beacon format

Only subscribers receive the additional eight full pages of local news and photos, including Letters to the Editor.

The change was made to satisfy the specific interests of subscribers and non-subscribers, while giving advertisers broader circulation on the Peninsula. The change will also reduce the amount of paper required to reach our readers.

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Tutoring

PGMS students are now able to access free tutoring at the PG Youth Center, Monday-Thursday. Please call in advance to confirm a high school tutor who is knowledgeable in your subject area. Call 648-3134 for more info.

Turkey Dance

For all you turkeys, a dance will be held on Friday, November 22 at the Youth Center. Doors open at 5pm for 6th grade and close at 7pm. Doors open again at 7:30pm for 7th and 8th grade and close at 9:30pm. Cost is \$3 each.

Disneyland Trip

A chance to get out of town is open to youths in grades 6-12 of the PG School District. Bus leaves from the PG Youth Center at 12:30am, Saturday December 7 for a joyride to Disneyland in Orange County and returns at 7:30am, December 8. Cost is \$75 and includes bus, admission, and continental breakfast on Saturday. Registration deadline is November 15. Passengers will need money for lunch and dinner in the park and dress in layers for warm and cool weather. Youth participants must check in with Staff twice during the day. No participant will be allowed to roam alone, must stay with friends! Sponsored by the PG Rec Dep, 515 Junipero Avenue. Call 648-3130.

Youth basketball registration

The PG RecDep is accepting player registration for children in grades 3-8 for the 1997 Youth Basketball season. Separate leagues for boys and girls. Practice starts in December and the program ends on March 8. \$45 for residents, \$50 for non residents. Reg deadline is Friday, November 15 at 4:30pm at the RecDep, 515 Junipero Ave. 648-3130. Parents and other adults interested in becoming actively involved as coaches or referees are invited to call.

Teams will practice once per week, beginning December 2. Practices are held after school at school on City courts. Coaches will determine time and location of practices.

Games: Divisions 1, 2 and 3 will play at PGHS or MS gym on Saturday mornings and afternoons, and on one Friday afternoon or evening.

Divisions 4 and 5 will play on Fridays or Saturdays at the high school or middle school gym, or at other Peninsula locations, sometimes on week nights.

Elks Hoop Shoot

A basketball free throw contest will be held Saturday, November 23

Football schedule

Friday, November 1, Away Game, PGHS vs. Gonzales, at Gonzales.

Friday, Nov. 8, Home Game, PGHS vs. Alveraz, 5:15/7:30 pm
Saturday, Nov. 16, Away Game, PGHS vs. Carmel, 11:45/2 pm.
General admisttion \$5

FITNESS CORNER

Know your limitations

Slow, steady start spells success

by Ken Green

A local screen celebrity of some renown once made this profound statement: "A man has to know his limitations." This quote is especially true in the fitness world.

We are all aware of the aging athlete who stays in the competitive arena too long. He tarnishes his once glorious image by sliding into mediocrity when he should have retired at his peak. Ego can work in a positive way by driving an individual to greater heights and maintaining a degree of excellence, but it can also mask reality, forcing an athlete or anyone to attempt to do more than they are capable of doing.

For lack of space, I will point out just one example of how this applies in the fitness world.

Take the 50-year-old guy who played a little sports in high school who decides — with the prodding of his wife — to join the local health club and do something about his ever-expanding midsection.

He puts on his baggy shorts and his high black socks and steps out into the bright lights of pumping iron.

He is surrounded by hard bodies,

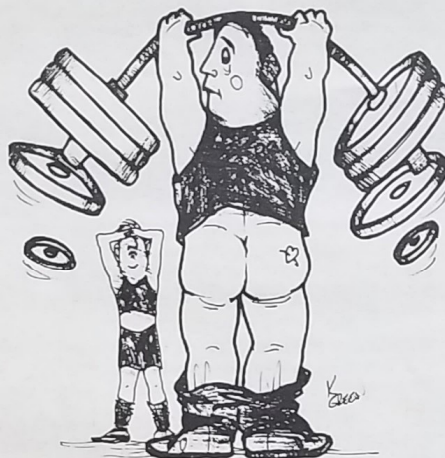
guys with huge necks and telephone pole arms, women with streamlines bodies and logos such as "Just Do It" or "Everlast" printed on their brief tops.

His immediate reaction is to back quietly out the door and go have a beer. But, because he promised his wife and he paid for a month, he heads for the weight rack.

Remembering how strong he was in high school, he grabs 120 pounds and hoists it above his head. There is a cracking sound like a bridge collapsing and he crumbles to the mat. The guys with the huge necks carry him to his car and wish him well.

He made two common mistakes. First he let his ego dictate a message to his brain that his body could not accept. Second, he should have ignored his surroundings and asked for help — a beginning program to ease him into fitness. Crawl before you walk.

It takes a month to get into shape to do an adequate workout program. So remember the wise old sage who said, "Know your limitations."



Ken Green is found at Studio One-On-One, New Monterey

Terry Calderon is Tennis Club's big winner

The Pacific Grove fall Tennis Championships were played both days last weekend at the Morris Dill Courts. Over 70 athletes competed in the two-day event.

Whitney Vasu, the number one player for the PG High Girls Racquet Club, won the Women's C Singles division leading her opponent Alex Cohen 6-1, 6-0.

Terry Calderon of Pacific Grove, had a big day in the men's C Singles division with a 6-3, 6-1 win over Jake Ransom.

And, with partner Eric Farrelly, he won the Men's C Doubles final 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 over Carlos Darosa and Dave Vining.

Other tournament results:

Men's B Singles final: Ken Olsen 6-2, 6-3 over Dave Vining.

Women's B Doubles final: Jane Hosteny and Deane Smith 6-3, 6-1 over Valentine Miller and Sekiko Brown.

Men's Open Doubles final: Derek DelRosario and Jim Sommerville 6-2, 6-3 over Roy Gassford and John Weston.

Men's A Singles final: Dan Holt of Palo Alto 6-3, 3-6, 6-0 over Doug Stoner of Pacific Grove.

Men's A Doubles final: Cameron Cardoza and Steve Valdez 6-4, 6-4 over Capp Steel and Rubin Herrera.

The tournament was chaired by Mark Trapin, tennis pro at the PG courts.

Racquet Club spawns junior tournaments for local youths

Tournament play for junior tennis players scheduled monthly from now until next June has been put in motion by the Racquet Club Junior Circuit to be held on courts in Pacific Grove and the Hyatt hotel in Monterey.

Levels of play scheduled include:

Junior Open for any player that has qualified for USTA championship level play and is high school age.

Junior A for players high school age but have not qualified for USTA championship level play, or is middle school age and has qualified for USTA championship level play.

Junior B is for players that have not qualified for championship level play or have won at the Junior C level twice and are between the ages of 10-13.

Junior C is for players just beginning to serve and play out points, and are between the ages of 7-12 and have not won at this level twice.

Scheduled events include:

The Halloween Scare Nov 2-3
Thanksgiving Pilgrimage Nov 23-24
Holiday Classic Dec 14-15
New Year Jamboree Jan 18-19
Valentine Special Feb 15-16

St. Patrick's Tournament Mar 15-16
Racquet Club Doubles April 19-20
Spring Fling May 24-25

All matches are best 2 of 3 sets. Boys and girls are grouped together. 12-point tie-breaker for all three sets. There are four levels to participate in. Feed-in consolation draw for all draws over 7 players. No refunds will be given before or after the draws.

For fees and registration deadlines (approximately one week prior to tournament) call Mark Trapin, tennis director, 648-3129.

Polls open from 7am on Nov. 5 election day

The Consolidated General Election, combining Pacific Grove city council candidates with County, State and national Presidential elections, is next Tuesday, November 5.

Polls in your precinct will be open from 7am to 8pm. Deadline to register to vote was October 7. Eligible voters must be US citizens, California residents, 18 years of age.



Pie guy is funny man

The wit and whimsy of cartoonist Michael J. McCormick of is found throughout this issue of the Beacon. Michael is franchisee at Round Table Pizza in PG (and also the Santa Cruz store) and a long-time observer of current events.

Drawing cartoons since the age of six, the 36-years old Marina resident says he is inspired by "family and Gary Larson."

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Religion by the sea:**Politics and religion were popular mix**

by Patricia Haven-Byrne

As the world moves closer to the millennium, people on the Monterey Peninsula have begun to take a closer look at issues, both spiritual and temporal, affecting our churches.

Religion has never been a private matter. Religion has been part of life on the Central Coast from its earliest inhabitants.

Whether we actively participate in worship services or enjoy activities our churches, temples and mosques provide for greater community, religion is a factor in everyday life.

Giving to the Salvation Army; festivals at Congregation Beth Israel and St. Angela's Catholic Church; shopping at the world-class Antique Show every summer at St. Mary's-By-The-Sea Episcopal Church; music concerts at Mayflower Presbyterian Church; eating your way through a vegetarian cooking class at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church; or going out to the ballgame or booksale — all point to the way religion intersects our secular lives.

Religious history is a part of our local history. The First Baptist Church of Pacific Grove is associated with the historic Ninth Calvary, an all-black regiment founded at the close of the American Civil War.

The Women's Fellowship of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) must have delighted in the stories Sarah Muir Galloway told of her brother, John Muir, the naturalist and founder of the Sierra Club. Community with God was different for brother and sister. Sarah Muir belonged to a Protestant domination

whereas her brother worshipped in his temple in the wilderness.

In a letter to his sister, John Muir wrote: "A crust by a brookside out on the mountains with God is more to me than all, beyond comparison."

John Campbell, the mythologist and author of *The Power of Myth* with Bill Moyers, lived in Pacific Grove's Canary Cottage on Fourth Street in the 1930's. Campbell's writings revealed the universal patterns we encounter in the mysteries of growth and the development of the soul. He wrote in a letter to Ed Ricketts that the "Monterey Peninsula is the Earthly Paradise."

John Steinbeck's spiritual awareness is apparent in all of his writing. Writing from his Pacific Grove cottage in 1949, to author John O'Hara, Steinbeck writes: "The great change in the last 2000 years was the Christian idea that the individual soul was very precious. Unless we can preserve and foster the principle of the preciousness of the individual mind, the world of men will either disintegrate into a screaming chaos or will go into gray slavery."

Politics and religion was a popular mix as it is today when the Pacific Grove Methodist Church celebrated with flags and flowers the visit of President William McKinley in 1901.

President Dwight Eisenhower and his wife Mamie worshipped at the Carmel Presbyterian Church in 1956, four days after he was nominated for a second term in the White House.

For four days he played golf at Pebble Beach, staying at the Cypress Point Club overlooking the 16th Green. Presi-



Dan Miller

Miller wants changes

by Neill Gardner

Dan Miller, a screenplay writer who was born in Pacific Grove, says he is running for mayor for the same reasons that moved Clint Eastwood to seek office in Carmel. He is less than happy with the role government plays in the affairs of citizens.

Miller said he spent nearly two years over use permit and business license hassles in Salinas, at a cost of nearly \$200,000. "You can't appreciate that feeling unless you have gone through it," Miller said. "The stress of jumping through bureaucratic hoops is impossible to describe."

Miller said he read the story of a 90-year-old Pacific Grove resident who wanted to remove a tree and couldn't believe it. "What's more important, a citizen or a tree?" he asked.

Miller also is wary of the city's flirting with water brokerage. He is apprehensive about the day when the sale of water rights will result in a city without laundromats. He believes people who buy property and fail to use attendant water rights should surrender the water to the city's general pool.

Miller voiced opposition to construction of senior housing, unless there is a demonstrated need. He also would insist that Pacific Grove residents get priority if senior housing is built.

Miller's father Richard was employed by PG&E for 40 years. His mother Mildred was secretary in PG schools until her retirement five years ago. Miller holds an AA degree from MPC ("I was first in my class with a 4.0 grade average") and he attended UCLA.

"I voted for the dam," Miller said. "I would like to have a nice green lawn. I don't think Pacific Grove has to be too concerned about incredible growth." Miller said he thinks any new water should be allotted to lots of record.

With the loss of Councilman Vern Yadon, (who is not seeking reelection) Miller said he fears the town may get a "touchy feely" Council. He said he doesn't want Council to be pro- or anti-business. "I just want them to show a little common sense."

The city's apparent lack of a master plan to allocate new water rights is a concern.

Miller ran for Council in 1990. He said he waited until the last minute to file this year because he had hoped someone else would oppose Mayor Sandra Koffman. "After the 'Rebar Park' debacle, I don't have much faith in City Hall."

Leach updates Rotary on golf course

by Eric Colby

Mike Leach, superintendent of Pacific Grove's municipal golf course, lunched with Rotarians two weeks ago and chatted about history, past and recent improvements, and answered questions.

"Babe," a border collie and the newest employee hired by the City, is trained to herd birds instead of sheep, will soon be on "coot patrol" around Crespi Pond in an effort to encourage the birds to find another place to hang out in Pacific Grove between October and February.

Leach wasn't certain what results this last ditch effort could achieve before the City had to move the golf course somewhere else.

The PG Links opened in 1930 with the first nine holes designed by golf course architect Chandler Eagen. The land was sold to the City for \$5 by Pacific Improvement Co. (a subsidiary of Southern Pacific Railway) then managed by Samuel F.B. Morse.

The clubhouse was located at what now is the site of the Sally Griffen Senior Center on Jewell Avenue.

In 1960, according to Leach, and agreement was made by the US Coast Guard to lease the land for the present back 9 holes to the City. The Coast Guard owned all of Pt. Pinos since the 1870's when the Lighthouse was built.

Earliest recorded records still available on the golf course operation were discovered by Leach in a letter dated 1948 saying that green fees were 50 cents and 35 cents for servicemen. Operating expenses were \$18,500 with \$20,000 shown as income.

Today's income from the golf course is about \$1.3 million. Over 9,500 rounds were played last fiscal year.

Besides the ongoing maintenance and redesign of greens, the largest recent improvement at the Links is installation of a \$200,000 computerized irrigation system operated from Leach's office.

Ongoing maintenance involves replacement of grasses that are not indigenous or are not ideal for golf play. This includes removal of ice-plant and other erosion-control grasses introduced years ago by the California Highway Department.

New developments foreseen by Leach are future ownership of the back nine and use of reclaimed water from Pebble Beach

The Coast Guard properties at Pt. Pinos are being transferred to NOAA whose Monterey Bay operations have been moved from Cannery Row into the old Coast Guard Reserve station on Lighthouse at Asilomar Avenue. And the City could fall heir to title of the back nine as a gift from

The prospect of using reclaimed water for the golf course is on the horizon, according to Leach.

Pebble Beach Co. has expressed interest in selling reclaimed water it is bringing to Poppy Hills Golf Course from the reclamation plant at the mouth of the Carmel River.

To bring water to PG Links from Poppy Hills might cost \$1.5 million per mile, said Leach.



COMMUNITY NEWS - SUBSCRIBER EDITION

Club Corner

by Nadine Annand

Altrusa in Autumn.

On It Makes a Difference Day, Altrusans of the Monterey Peninsula once again participated in the annual Pie-judging contest held during the Autumn Festival in Pacific Grove. Mary Ann Marschik was chairman for the several hour stint with able help from Leslie Dimaggio, Heller Chappel, Mary Catherine McHale, Celia Pamantuan, Nell Meyer, Vela Rexford and Nadine Annand.

The entries were fewer in number this year but not in quality. The judges, as usual, relished their samples and surprisingly were almost united in their final decisions. Judging were Mayor Sandy Koffman and Councilmen Bob Davis, Vern Yadon, Jim Costello and Robert Huitt. Ribbon winners, in order, were:

1st: Michelle Rush

2nd: Linda Pepper

2nd also: Trina Ammar

3rd: Jeannie Kelly. This year Juice and Java employees — where the contest took place — put in a special request and all receive ample portions.

Altrusa members are looking ahead to a busy holiday season again taking part in Christmas on Jewell Avenue for Meals



Above, Gracie Sunukjian, 5, of Pacific Grove, gets taken for a ride at the Pacific Grove Harvest Festival.

on Wheels on November 9. Leslie DiMaggio is chair coordinator for this fundraiser.

Altrusans will again serve as usherettes at First Night on New Years Eve in Monterey with member Gloria Gargiulo in charge of the opera program. The Altrusa Foundation Fund was recently enriched by a donation of \$100 from local Altrusans. The most challenging future outlook is the hostess assignment for District 11 conference in 2001 on the Monterey Peninsula. It sounds like a long way off but accommodations on this must be scheduled right now. Good luck.

Bazaar Time Also Ahead.

Scheduling bazaars on the Monterey Peninsula seems to be earlier each year and doubling up on dates the norm. The MOW event is also the same day as Santanarama XXX presented each year by United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church of Pacific Grove. The cleverly coined title Christmas sale has been a tradition locally with departments attracting new and returning customers. Jewelry, Gourmet Goodies, Yuletide Uniques, Children's Corner, Practical Presents, Collectibles and Antiques, Christmas Tags and Boxes will all be ready at 10 am on Saturday, November 9 in Grantham Hall. Closing time is 2 pm with a final sale on Sunday, November 10 from noon-1 pm. Country Kitchen serving lunch will also be open on Saturday. Profits benefit UMW and ensure a budget for 1997.

Questers Always on the Go.

The Blue Willow pattern of China was the topic for the latest meeting of this never dull group. Lola George was hostess for the day with several guests visiting from Valley Heritage Questers from San Jose.

The speaker had researched the story of the Blue Willow and brought with her unusual and lovely examples. Surprisingly, she was not aware of the traditional Feast of Lanterns pageant with the Blue Willow theme, but was immediately informed of the part it played in the annual program.

Adobe Questers were recently represented at the Fall Council in Fresno by Lola George, Shirley Olginholm, Erma Hole, Dorothy Lukas and Elaine Viau.

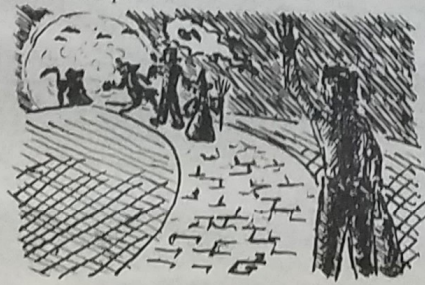
Next meeting is at Sue Olcotts with Jean Stumbo giving the program. The annual Christmas luncheon will be at the home of Rochelle Logan with Elaine Viau as cohostess.

Jitneys in Pebble Beach shuttle help

To help reduce traffic in Del Monte Forest, Pebble Beach Company recently began operating its Park-and-Ride shuttle service for employees who work at The Lodge at Pebble Beach.

The shuttle parking lot is part of the relocation project of Carmel Hill Fire Station, which moved to a spot just inside the gate at Highway 1 earlier this year. A total of 72 spaces were constructed for those who want to park and catch a ride.

Sixteen employees are currently taking part in the pogrom. To encourage more riders, raffle tickets are given each day and tickets are collected at the end of each month and put into a drawing for rideshare prizes.



Above, right, Morgan Gibson, 9, and his little sister Hillary, 5, had a day at the farm, courtesy of the petty zoo at Harvest Festival on Lighthouse Avenue last week.



Pie judging is a tradition at Harvest Festival. Pictured at left are PG City Councilmembers left to right, Vern Yadon, Bob Davis, Mayor Sandy Koffman, and Councilman Robert Huitt.



Line dancing demonstrations in the streets of Pacific Grove were an inspiration for onlookers last week during Harvest Festival, sponsored by the PG Chamber of Commerce.